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## 'LAST CHANCE' CALL SENT OUT BY DUTCH TO INDONESIA

### China Closes Red Dairen To "All Foreign Ships"

Nanking, Aug. 20.  
China's Executive Yuan today ordered the Soviet-controlled Chinese Port Dairen closed to "all foreign shipping." The order said any vessel entering or leaving the port would be guilty of illegal operations in Chinese waters. Government Spokesman Hollington Tong confirmed the Yuan's action.

Tong said the Government was "paying close attention to frequent reports of Soviet ships from Dairen supplying the Chinese Communist forces in the Shantung Peninsula." He added that "no foreign ships will be allowed to engage in coastal trading in China."

"Dairen, as a port under Chinese jurisdiction, should not be used by any foreign power."

Other sources said the Yuan acted under a "regulation last March wherein certain Chinese ports were closed to foreign shipping."—Associated Press.

## Officials Silent On Toll Of Huge Cadiz Blast

Cadiz, Aug. 20.  
National officials declined today to release the casualty figures in Monday night's mammoth explosion as rescue teams delved into the piles of debris still seeking the bodies of victims.

The toll is unofficially estimated at 800 dead and 7,000 injured.

Sappers burrowed all night in the mountains of rubble in the stricken districts.

Today they worked under a near tropical sun and a nauseating stench rose from the ruins.

Local newspapers estimated property damage at a quarter billion pesetas — \$25,000,000 — but there was nothing official on this.

The undamaged areas of the city quickly recovered from the shock and electric power was restored today.

Hundreds, however, are homeless and thousands jobless.

Cadiz tonight is without water or light. The fires which raged for 17 hours were brought under control late today while hundreds of searchers still dug in the debris for the bodies of the casualties in what some described as the worst disaster of the twentieth century.

### Buried

Property damage runs into millions of pesetas.

An undetermined number of 700 workers on the night shift in the torpedo factory were buried in the debris. 60,000,000 peseta oil tanker under construction was smashed as the Larranaga Echevarrieta shipyards were leveled.

Mayor Jerez Fronteira reported that both the districts of San Severino and San Jose were almost completely devastated. The main part of Cadiz was not seriously damaged because of its distance from the explosion.

Central Cadiz is on the tip of a promontory while the devastated region is on the base of a peninsula. San Severino is located at the entrance from the mainland. The torpedo factory

## Future Of Imperial Preference In The Balance

Geneva, August 20.  
The future of imperial preferences will rank high in the agenda of talks between Mr. W. Clayton (United States Under-Secretary of State for Economic Affairs) and Sir Stafford Cripps (President of the Board of Trade).

The talks are scheduled to start in London one day this week, probably Thursday, United States sources said today.

Mr. Clayton, who left Geneva yesterday for Paris, was scheduled to proceed to London today where he would be joined by Clair Wilcox, acting head of the United States delegation to the Trade and Employment Conference in Geneva, sources added.

It is understood that Mr. Clayton will urge the United Kingdom to make concessions for a reduction of Imperial preferences with a view to eventual gradual dismantling of the system.

Informed sources said that Mr. Clayton would not ask for abandoning of imperial preferences "overnight."—United Press.

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## THE WEATHER

A shallow trough of low pressure extends from Spain to Italian thence NE to a shallow depression centered just E of Okinawa. Pressure is high over W China and the eastern half of the China Sea.

Today's Forecast—Light to fairly winds, fair.

Yesterday's Weather—  
Maximum: 85.5 deg. Fah.  
Minimum: 77.0 deg. Fah.  
Sunshine: 6.4 hours.  
Rainfall: Trace. Total since Jan. 1, 1947: 10.75 inches as against an average of 10.75 inches.

10 a.m. 1008.0 m.b.  
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Rel. Humidity 88 70 %  
New Point 78 79 deg. F.  
Wind Direction: ESE E by N  
Wind Force 5 6 knots.

## U.S. Soldiers Held By Russians In Korea

Seoul, Korea, Aug. 20.  
The U.S. Army Intelligence disclosed today that the Russians have been holding three ten-year American enlisted men in the Russian zone of North Korea since August 12.

They have refused explanations and have ignored protests from John Hodge (Chief of the American zone of South Korea) demanding their release.

U.S. Intelligence said daily telephone calls from the American Liaison officers at the Russian G.H.Q. in Pyongyang brought only the response of

## Occupation Debts ....

### New Order For Payment Asks "Scaling Down" Of Claims

All cheques, promissory notes and I.O.U.'s signed during the Japanese occupation and which were surrendered to the Controller of Currency in September, 1945, are now to be released.

This was announced by the Secretary of State for the Colonies yesterday.

It was originally proposed that the cheques should not be released until the lifting of the Moratorium.

This decision has been modified in response to representations that debtors who wish to make arrangements with their creditors can do so.

Creditors are being urged to scale down their claims in view of the unrealistic rates of exchange which ruled at the time the cheques were signed.

It has been suggested that the rates for Japanese military currency be adopted.

Government proposes to award help by appointing a small unofficial board who will be prepared on the request of both parties to act as arbitrators in the event of a disagreement.

Any applications for the assistance of this board should be addressed to the Assistant Financial Secretary.

The Secretary of State advises that the addresses of those to whom cheques have to be returned are in some instances unknown.

Nevertheless individuals who do not receive back their cheques at once are requested NOT to write to Government, but to await a further announcement.

## ANNAMITE SPOKESMAN FORECASTS EARLY TRUCE IN INDO-CHINA

M. Emile Bollaert, French High Commissioner for Indo-China now in conference with the French Government in Paris, is expected in Saigon this week-end to announce the French Government's decision on proposals for bringing fighting in Indo-China to an end.

Mr. Luu Duc Trung, official spokesman for ex-Emperor of Annam, Bao Dai, told this to the "China Mail" yesterday.

Luu Duc Trung, who also heads the United Front, were fighting against the French as well as against Ho Chi Minh's forces.

There was little coordination among the underground United Front leaders owing to lack of transportation and communication, he added.

The 46-year-old, foreign-educated spokesman disclosed that French representatives had been in contact with Emperor Bao Dai and leaders of the United Front since last February.

The French were convinced that the only way to end war in Indo-China was to give the nation independence and unity and a government of their own choice.

Luu Duc Trung, adviser to the former Foreign and Finance Ministers of the Viet Nam Government, added that although it was against the personal wishes of Bao Dai it would be quite essential for the unification of the Viet Nam to re-establish the monarchy with Bao Dai enthroned.

He said the majority of the people engaged in battle with the French were under the leadership of the Viet Nam Nationalist

## Attlee To Resign?

London, Aug. 20.  
The "Daily Mail" reported today that the Prime Minister, Mr. Attlee, "has told his closest colleagues in the Government, that for reasons of health, he intends to resign the Premiership in the near future."

A Page One story by the Mail's political correspondent reported: "It was said in usually well-informed circles last night that Mr. Clement Attlee will nominate Mr. Ernest Bevin, the Foreign Secretary, as his successor."—Associated Press.

## First Strike Parleys Deadlocked: Latest Moves

In a three-hour parley yesterday, afternoon, officials of the Chinese Engineers' Institute met representatives of the dockyards to begin negotiations for a settlement of the mechanics strike.

The meeting was presided over by the Labour Officer (Mr. B. C. K. Hawkins). Representatives from the workers clubs of the three dockyards were also present.

The employers' representatives were understood to have offered a 20 percent increase to the strikers against their demand for 150 percent.

Institute officials promised to submit this offer to a meeting of the strike committee.

Besides the question of a basic wage, other questions relating to long-term annual increases were also discussed.

Both sides will meet again today at 3.30 p.m. at the Labour Office.

### Rejected

At a meeting of the Strike Committee at the Chinese Engineers' Institute last night, a report of the conference at the Labour Office was made by Institute officials.

The 20 percent increase offered by the employers was flatly rejected as totally insufficient.

The employers' offer was tantamount to an addition of 40 cents a day.

Asked as to prospects of a settlement, Institute officials said it was too early to venture any opinion.

### Walk-Out

Another big walk-out from Taikoo is scheduled for today. Eight hundred boiler-makers, employed through contractors, late last night gave notice that they would join the strike today.

Biggest headache today is believed to be suffered by the mechanical staff at the Tytam Tuk Pumping Station who walked out yesterday. In pursuance of the notice they gave the previous day.

The 50 or so men of the mechanical staff at the Tytam Tuk Pumping Station walked out yesterday. In pursuance of the notice they gave the previous day.

### Threat

Latest threat of depletion in the Waterworks Staff came from the mechanical staff of the Shing Mun Reservoir, Kowloon who intimated yesterday that they intended to join the strikers.

The intimation was made after hearing the report that the employers had offered a 20 percent increase only.

The Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Institute last night made an urgent appeal to their members employed at the Waterworks not to come out on strike.

"You will not help our cause by coming out now, but will only cause great inconvenience to the public," he said.

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## Chinese Red Strongpoints Reported To Be Captured

Nanking, Aug. 20.  
Two Communist strongholds in Northern Shensi — Michieh and Suiteh, 40 and 60 miles southeast of Yulin respectively—have been recaptured by Government forces, Information Director Hollington Tong announced today.

At the same time Tong announced that Government forces in Shantung have driven a wedge into the Communist positions on the Kiaochow Peninsula.

One Government unit has reached Yangchiokuo, on the coast of Lanchow Bay 150 miles northeast of Tainan, thus cutting off the Communist supply line between Shantung and Hoppel, he said.

Tong claimed that in Western Shantung only 1,000 of Communist General Liu Po-chan's troops succeeded in fleeing across the Yellow River.

He claimed 10,000 Communists surrendered.

However, the Railway Administration at Peiping today submitted an urgent demand for greater military protection after yesterday's Communist ambush between Peiping and Peiping highlighted the shortage of garrison troops along North China's vulnerable rail lines.

Officially "cleared" from the Peiping-Pooting stretch weeks ago, Communist forces blew up a repair train on the morning of August 19, killing nine engineers and wounding 15 with machine-gun fire.

The Communists stripped the

train of repair equipment and captured ten technicians.

General Wedemeyer (President Truman's special envoy) returned to Nanking late this afternoon after spending a day in Shanghai.

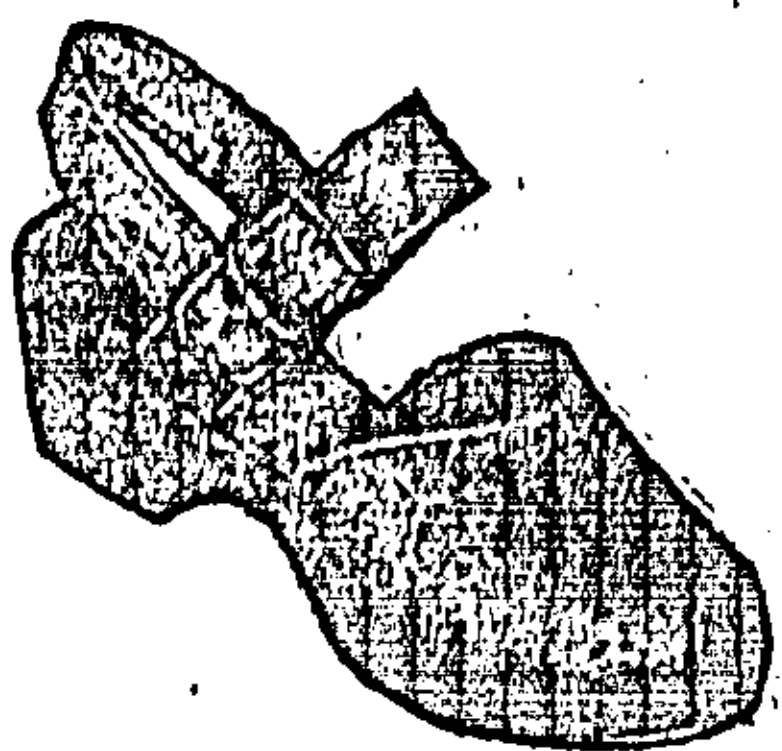
The American Embassy statement said that General Wedemeyer's secret Shanghai visit was for the purpose "of completing his local inquiry of several matters unfinished during his earlier visit."

Observers thought he might have been interested in Shanghai's reaction to the new Chinese Government financial regulations. —United Press.



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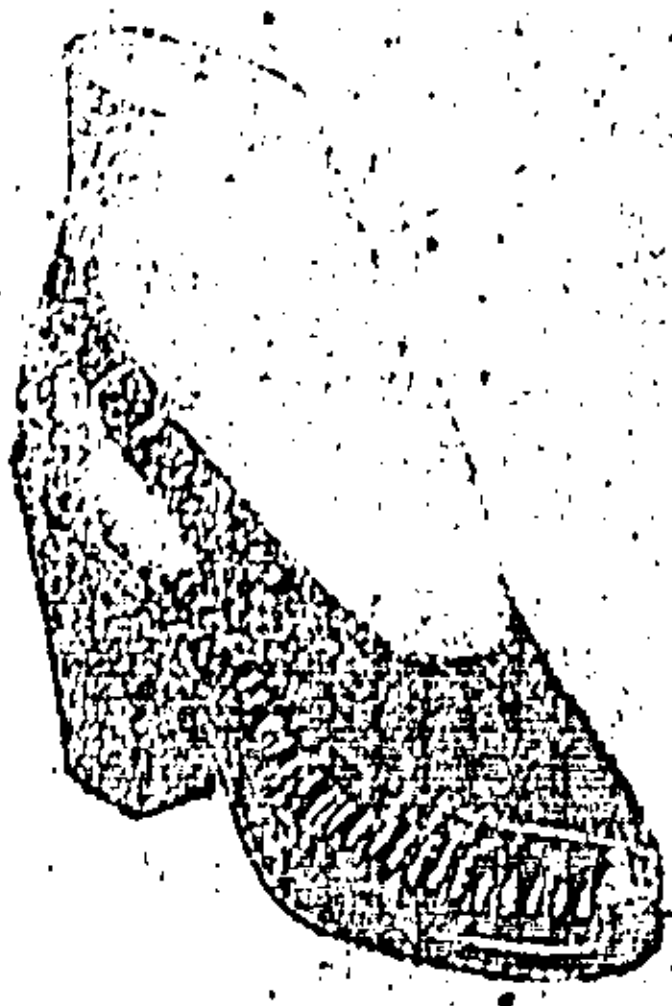


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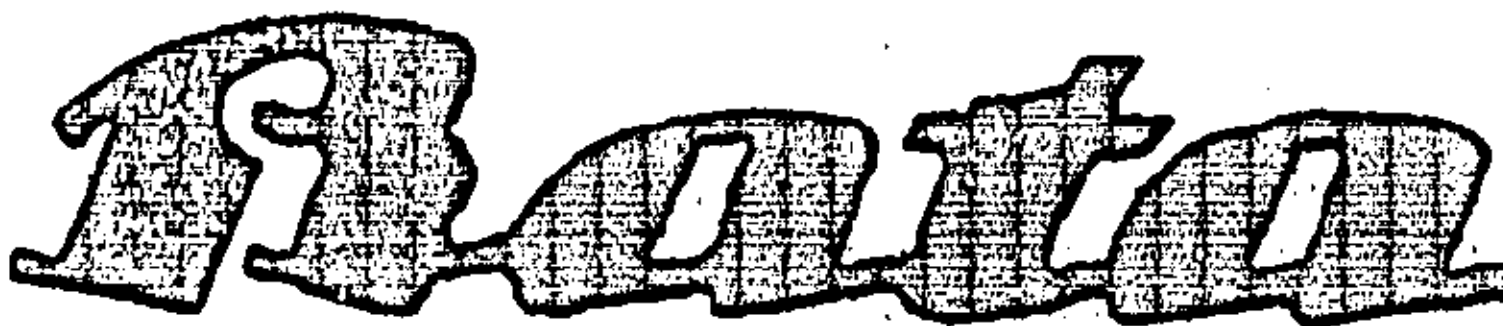
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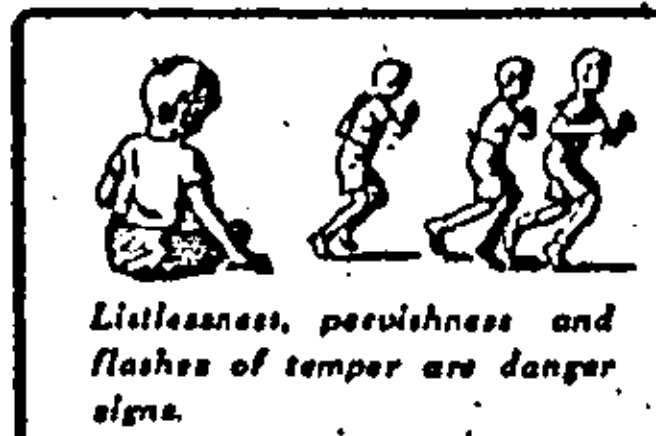
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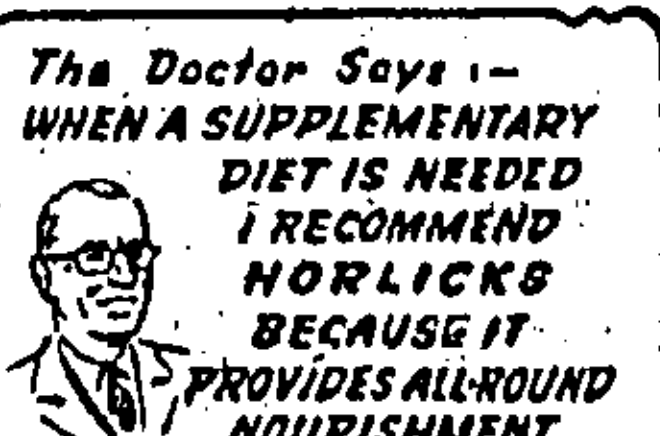
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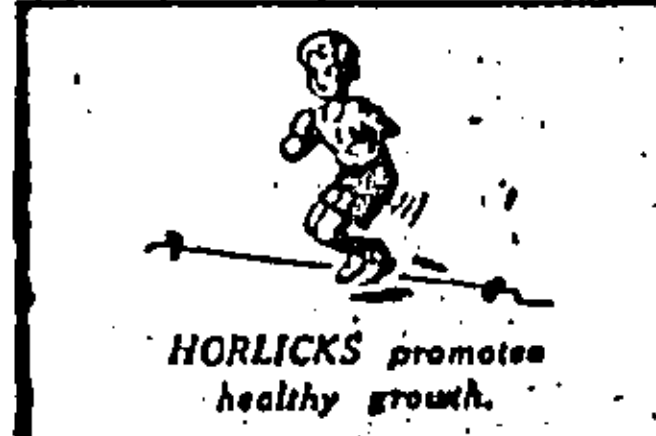
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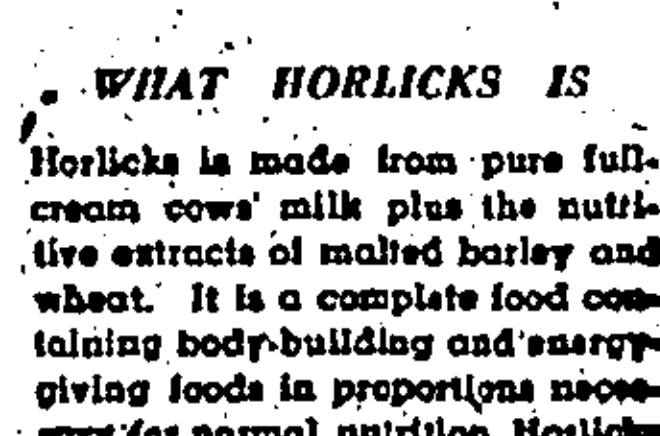
Liveliness, cheerfulness and flashes of temper are danger signs.



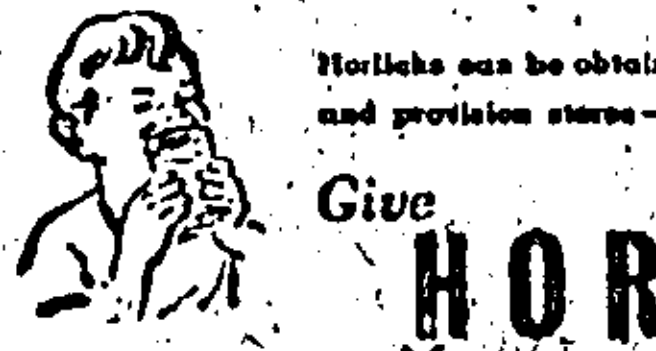
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## SCHOOLS TO BE MORE RIGIDLY CONTROLLED

Stricter control of non-Government educational facilities in the Colony is provided by an amendment to the Education Ordinance, 1913, to be introduced in Legislative Council today.

## Move To Wipe Out Blank Share Forms

An amendment to the Stamp Ordinance coming before Legislative Council today is designed principally to do away with blank transfers of shares.

The object of the Bill is to provide a more effective means of collecting the stamp duties payable on stock exchange transactions.

Under the existing law, an ad valorem duty of 20 cents per \$100 is chargeable on instruments of transfer and a nominal duty, varying from \$1 to \$10, on brokers' bought and sold notes.

In practice the ad valorem duty yields only a small amount of revenue owing to the custom which has grown up in the Colony of executing blank transfers and using these instruments to pass title through a series of buyers and sellers instead of executing a fresh instrument of transfer on the occasion of each sale.

As a result stamp duty is collected only at the initial stage when the blank transfer is executed, and thereafter, all subsequent transfers in the series escape duty.

Brokers' bought notes and "sold notes", on the other hand, are stamped when each sale in the series takes place so it is necessary for the broker, in his own interests, to ensure that a properly executed contract note comes into existence to record the terms of the sale but as the amount of duty payable on these bought and sold notes is only nominal, additional yield to the revenue under this head is comparatively small.

### Improvement

It is considered that if the duties on the two instruments is reversed so that ad valorem duty is chargeable on brokers' bought and sold notes and nominal duty on the transfer, there will be a considerable improvement in the total revenue derived from Stock Exchange transactions.

Clause 3 of the Bill effects this change by reversing the existing taxing provisions in the principal Ordinance and replacing them by new provisions which impose an ad valorem duty of 10 cents per \$100 on bought and sold notes and a nominal duty of \$5 on transfers.

Because in the exceptional case where no broker is involved, there is no provision in the existing law requiring the execution of contract notes, ad valorem duty would not be collected on such transactions following the amendment to the Schedule by Clause 3 of the Bill which frees transfers from ad valorem duty.

To enable the collection of ad valorem duty on such transactions Clause 2 of the Bill provides for the execution of contract notes also in cases where no broker is involved by amendment of section 56 (1) of the Ordinance to extend the obligation of a principal to execute contract notes irrespective of whether or not he is a dealer in shares by way of business.

### Ceramic Clay

At today's Meeting the Honorable R.D. Gillespie, will ask—

With reference to the recent correspondence in the Press on the subject of the export of Ceramic Clay to Japan, would Government care to state the position?

The Attorney General will move—

That the rules made by the Board of Inland Revenue on 24th day of June, 1947, under Section 86 of the Customs and Revenue Ordinance, Ordinance No. 20 of 1947, be approved.

The Attorney General will also move the First reading of—

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend further the Stamp Ordinance, 1921."

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Education Ordinance, 1913."

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to relieve companies (other than China companies) against their liability or failure since the 8th of December, 1941, to comply with the Companies Ordinance, 1932, to provide for the making of necessary returns by such companies, to provide a means whereby companies can

Section 10 of the principal Ordinance is repealed and replaced as follows:—

It shall be lawful for the Governor in Council to make regulations in respect of the following matters:—

(a) the hygienic character and proper sanitation of school buildings; and the taking of precautions against fire or other perils likely to endanger the lives or health of the pupils or other persons frequenting the school or school buildings;

(b) the methods of enforcement of discipline in schools;

(c) the prohibition in schools of the use of any book which appears undesirable;

(d) the proper keeping and the production or delivery for inspection of school registers and books of account of schools;

(e) the control of fees and other charges made by schools;

(f) any other matters regarding the proper conduct and efficiency of schools;

(g) the amending of the forms in the Schedule to this Ordinance or for substituting new forms;

(h) in general the carrying of this Ordinance into effect.

### Shortage

The shortage of school accommodation has resulted in pressure upon attendance at school now in operation which has caused serious overcrowding in such schools. In these circumstances the necessity for control and supervision of schools has been increased, and, in particular, the need has been shown for control of the amount of school fees and other charges required to be paid for pupils at such schools.

## Personalia

Among the passengers leaving for America today is Mr. Albert Kong who is taking up further studies at Notre Dame, South Bend, Indiana. He is a graduate of Canton University and served during the war period with the Foreign Liaison Bureau of the Seventh War Area in China and held the rank of Major.

Passengers who arrived from Manila by C.P.A. plane yesterday included:—Mr. Ang Kim Lian, Mr. Ang Yiu Tong, Mr. Lim Chun, Mr. Gan Eng Fo, Mrs. Tan Lee Cheng, Miss Ruby Ang & Miss Lydia Ang.

Victoria Recreation Club will be "at home" to the Chinese Y.M.C.A. in an inter-club swimming gala on Saturday starting at 9.30 p.m. With the Colony championships, barely a month away, competitors of both clubs have been hard at training and some excellent competition should be witnessed.

It will come as no surprise, if the Colony records for the Men's Medley Relay race and the Ladies' 50 yards free-style, and 50 yards back-stroke events, are bettered on Saturday night.

## WANTED—AN OWNER OF AN EAR-RING

Police are anxious to trace a Chinese lady who had her earring snatched by a thief in the vicinity of Hi Lung Lane, in Shanghai Street at about 3.30 p.m. on Thursday the 14th August, 1947.

The earring is of gold flower pattern.

Will the lady please call or send her name and address to the Director of Criminal Investigation, Police Headquarters, Hong Kong.

remedy the loss of registers, records and documents and for other connected matters.

## Inniskillings Bring Proud Record With Them

The 1st Battalion, The Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers 27th Foot, which arrived in the Colony yesterday, has a history of which it may be justly proud.

The Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers, raised in 1689, has the distinction of being the oldest Irish Regiment.

The Regiment first distinguished itself in the West Indies, gaining battle honours at Martinique (1762) and later at Havannah and St Lucia (1778-80).

Fourteen years later the Regiment took a very active part in the Peninsular War in Spain.

The culmination of the Napoleonic Wars saw the Regiment forming part of the famous "British Square" at Waterloo.

Battalions of the Regiment later served with distinction in Egypt, South Africa and Central India, returning to South Africa to take part in the South African War (1899-1902).

In World War I thirteen battalions of the Regiment added further honours to its record, serving in almost every theatre of war from France and Flanders to Gallipoli and Palestine.

## Chinese Too Slow On The Draw

The difficulties confronting the Police on border patrol were revealed by Sub-Inspector C. G. Smith in evidence at the inquiry held by Mr. W. H. Latimer, into the death of an unknown Chinese male who was shot during an incident on Frontier Road on July 22.

A verdict of "Justifiable homicide" was returned.

The deceased, said Detective Sub-Inspector White, was one of two men who were called upon by Detective Kwan King to submit to a search while a police patrol, comprising S/I Smith, Detective Kwan King and Detective Wong Yau were on their way to the Tu Ku Ling Police Station with about 20 smugglers.

Instead of obeying the order the two men dropped their hands to their girdles and made an attempt to draw their guns, at the same time commencing to run away.

Det. Kwan King's warning to "stop or we fire" was ignored, whereupon the detective opened fire. One of the men fell while the other escaped.

Medical evidence given by Dr. Alvares, showed that the bullet entered by the left buttock, fractured the left hip bone, passed into the abdominal cavity perforated various loops of the intestines and passed into the front thigh.

It was extracted from near the midline of the right groin and was one inch deep.

In reply to the court, S/I Smith, stated that he had been posted to the New Territories since April, and that during that period had had several brushes with smugglers and armed robbers.

## HONG KONG WAR MEMORIAL FUND

Subscriptions received on Aug. 10:—

In memory of the late Mr. E. J. Annett: A.B. J.A. Vint, A.B. D.J. Delany, A.B. A.C. Anderson, \$20.00  
Mr. & Mrs. Leo d'Almeida, \$50.00  
From Captain, Officers and Passengers of S/S "Wongang" (in memory of N.L. Radford) ..... 115.00

Total ..... \$ 685.00  
H.K. Govt. Contribution ..... \$ 85.00  
Received to 18/8/47 ..... 2,706,415.66

Grand Total ..... \$2,797,685.66

## MAIDEN TRIP

Liverpool, Aug. 19.  
The new 14,000-ton Curlew White Star cargo liner, Media, leaves Liverpool tomorrow on her maiden voyage to New York.

The Media carries 250 first class passengers and 7,000 tons of cargo.—Router.

## Negligence Caused Two To Meet Death

"By your negligence you have caused the death of two people. Traffic Regulation 131 is designed to avoid accidents like this. I have to take a serious view of the case."

These remarks were addressed by Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr to Li Kwok-ping, 32, driver of lorry 6092, whom he sentenced to nine months' hard labour on a charge of careless driving and carrying 12 excess passengers on July 31.

Defendant's licence was recommended to be suspended for 12 months.

The case arose out of an accident at Tai Po Road, between the 6th and 7th mile stones, at 12.10 p.m. when lorry 6092 dropped over a cliff and fell 150 feet. As a result, two passengers were killed and the remainder, including defendant, injured.

Two of the passengers, Leung Ying and Ho Tin, testified yesterday that there were two persons sitting inside the cab, talking with the driver during the trip from Sheung Shui. They also stated that the lorry was going at such a speed that the passengers were away from side to side.

Defendant, in evidence, denied that he was going at an excessive speed, and attributed the accident to the engine "going dead" resulting in his inability to control the vehicle.

He stated that he left Sheung Shui at 11 a.m., stopped for about 10 minutes at Fanling and three minutes at Tai Po, and arrived at the spot where the accident took place at 12.10 p.m. That he continued, showed that he was not going at a fast speed.

Before passing sentence, His Worship commented on the fact that the accident did not seem to have been a lesson to anyone "as we have been having quite a number of summonses for breach of Regulation 131." (This stipulates that no lorry may carry more than six passengers.)

It had been fluctuating between \$308.50 and \$360 when the thunderbolt came.

At the close the rate was steadier and rallied to \$365.50.

Plastics continued to be a principal medium of speculation after the previous day's spurt.

Opening at \$15.05 a 100 it dropped to \$14.75 but immediately recovered and climbed to \$15.20.

Again it went on a headlong plunge down to \$14.40.

At the close it had recovered partially to \$14.62.

Chinese National Currency opened at 13.9 cent for futures and 14.5 cent for spot (for CN\$1,000) and closed at 13.5 cent and 14.45 cent respectively.

U.S. dollars continued very firm at \$5.12. Sterling weakened to \$3.17, while Australian pounds were unchanged at \$12.68.

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## French Silence On Bao Dai

Paris, Aug. 19.  
The French Colonial Ministry today declined to comment on reports from Hong Kong that Bao Dai will return to Indo-China.

Unofficial sources close to the Ministry, however, said it appeared highly probable that the French would welcome the return of Bao Dai. It is evident, however, that they wish to avoid any appearance of setting up the former emperor as a puppet.

"Any movement for his return would have to come from the Annamite people," said one official.—United Press.

## Money Market

A rumour yesterday afternoon that Government contemplate banning dealings in gold on the gold and silver exchange sent the price of this precious metal, topping down to \$352.75 a tola, after it had opened at \$367.50.

It had been fluctuating between \$308.50 and \$360 when the thunderbolt came.

At the close the rate was steadier and rallied to \$365.50.

Plastics continued to be a principal medium of speculation after the previous day's spurt.

Opening at \$15.05 a 100 it dropped to \$14.75 but immediately recovered and climbed to \$15.20.

Again it went on a headlong plunge down to \$14.40.

At the close it had recovered partially to \$14.62.

Chinese National Currency opened at 13.9 cent for futures and 14.5 cent for spot (for CN\$1,000) and closed at 13.5 cent and 14.45 cent respectively.

U.S. dollars continued very firm at \$5.12. Sterling weakened to \$3.17, while Australian pounds were unchanged at \$12.68.

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## Letters From Readers

### "Awful"



# KOWLOON EMERG. UNIT APPEAL DISMISSED IN UPPER COURT FINDING

An appeal before Mr. Justice T. J. Gould at the Supreme Court yesterday by seven members of the Kowloon Emergency Unit, against the conviction registered against them by Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at the Kowloon Magistrate on May 8, was dismissed.

The appellants, Ghulam Ahmed, Mohamed Akbar, Abdulah Ali, Mohamed Abdul Karim, Mansur Ali, Shuk Adam and Ramon Lorin, were represented by Mr. Marcus A. da Silva.

Mr. A. Lonsdale, assisted by ASP Charles Mottram and DSI C. Dowman, appeared for the Crown.

The appellants, who were found guilty on charges of attempting to extort the sum of \$20 from Mok Kuen at Nan Chung Street on Mar. 14, conspiring to extort and demanding with menaces, the sum of \$20 from Mok Kuen, were respectively sentenced to varying terms of imprisonment, ranging from 18 months to 9 months hard labour. Akbar and Adam were additionally found guilty of being in possession of a knuckle-duster.

In his opening, Mr. Silva said that the appeal was based on two grounds, firstly, that the conviction was against the weight of evidence, and secondly, that the Magistrate had misdirected himself on the law as to onus of proof in a criminal case.

## "Have A Case"

Mr. Silva submitted that this was very definitely a case where a reasonable jury, applying the principle laid down in the well-known case of Woolmington, would not convict.

The prosecution's case, said Mr. Silva, was as follows: On Mar. 14, some time between 12 noon and 1 p.m. seven E. U. constables on a patrol visited a particular district in Shamshui-po and raided a gambling den in an open market in one of the most crowded thoroughfares in Shamshui-po.

In the course of the raid, the gamblers had escaped and the E. U. constables were, therefore, not able to arrest anybody.

It was the prosecution's case that these E. U. constables went there in order to extort money. Not being able to get hold of any particular person from whom money could be extorted, they planned and conspired to make a further visit in the evening, again for the purposes of extortion.

At about 9 p.m. the same evening, they called again and made a demand for a sum of \$20. According to some of the prosecution witnesses, a counter offer was made of \$10.

## Breaking-Up

As the parties could not come to terms, the E. U. constables commenced to break up the gambling paraphernalia. This action roused the ire of the gamblers and later on, some of the Shamshui-po public, so much so that the Riot Van had to be called out.

Continuing, Mr. Silva said that the case for the defence was as follows:

Seven E. U. boys, to a certain extent young and irresponsible, had their attention drawn to a gambling den carried on very openly in Shamshui-po. They had reason to believe it was a gambling den under the protection of certain police connected with Shamshui-po Station.

These E. U. boys thereupon said to themselves: "We will have to observe the greatest possible secrecy if we want to catch the parties connected with the gambling and possibly expose this racket in Shamshui-po."

Foolishly, they wanted all the kudos to themselves and did not report the matter to Inspector Clarke.

They believed that if such a report was made, an order to carry out the raid would be passed to them and this would detract some of the credit they expected for themselves.

## Defective

The name of the detective involved in the gambling came out at the second hearing of the case before the Magistrate.

These seven boys, in pursuance of their admittedly irregular conduct, planned this raid in the evening at about 9 p.m.

As they closed in on the market, a look-out had apparently given warning and all the gamblers, including the keeper, rushed out and made a beeline for Kilung Street.

Having run some 50 to 75 yards in chase, the E. U. boys arrested some of them and were taking them to the Police Station when a crowd gathered threateningly and prevented them.

The E. U. boys, with the prisoners in custody and their backs to the wall, kept the crowd off for some 15 minutes while one of their number telephoned Yau-mat and obtained the assistance of the Riot Squad.

At Yau-mat Police Station, the E. U. boys gave a short resume of events.

There was no complaint in the early stages to C.S.I. Lee that they had been extorting money and no confession by silence as alleged by the prosecution.

## Analysis

Mr. Silva proceeded to analyse the judgment and said that it was completely out of keeping with the facts.

Mr. Silva submitted that the E. U. boys had been railroaded to cover a gambling racket which was going on, day in and day out, under police protection in a most crowded thoroughfare of Shamshui-po.

Mr. Silva declared that no jury could conceivably accept the evidence of the star witness for the prosecution and said that if such evidence could be accepted, then we had arrived at a very dangerous stage in our administration of the Criminal Law.

In conclusion, Mr. Silva said that the Magistrate had apparently adopted the attitude that it was for accused to prove their innocence by explaining certain irregularities. In spite of admitted discrepancies and contradictions, the Magistrate was prepared to take the word of the prosecution witnesses against the defence as to whether or not a demand for money had been made.

## "The Judge"

Replying Mr. Lonsdale dealt first with the second ground of appeal and said that certain matters appearing in the judgment of the Magistrate had not been brought to the attention of the Court.

The Magistrate was the judge of facts and the man who had watched the witnesses while they were being cross-examined.

He could find no suggestion on the record that the accepted evidence of certain circumstances and that as a result of explanation by the accused, he would register a conviction.

Mr. Lonsdale contended that, reading the judgment as a whole the construction placed on it by Mr. Silva was incorrect.

There was no question of misdirection and that the arguments put forward by Mr. Silva were untenable.

## Judgment

Giving judgment, Mr. Justice Gould said:

"This appeal was based on two grounds: (1) That the verdict was against the weight of evidence, and (2) that the Magistrate misdirected himself in law as to the onus of proof."

"As to the second of these, appellants submit (a) That the Magistrate treated certain evidence of irregularities as being of the essence of the matter and their failure to prove the innocent nature of these irregularities to his satisfaction as ground for conviction. The passages relied upon, occur mainly on page 69 of the judgment."

# Eviction Appeal Allowed

An appeal against a decision of a Tenancy Tribunal, ordering the eviction of the appellant from the Ground Floor of No. 3 Li Yuen Street, was allowed by Mr. Justice T. J. Gould (Additional Judge) at the Supreme Court yesterday.

The appellant, Ng Chiu Hop Firm, was represented by Mr. Marcus A. da Silva.

The Hon. Mr. Leo d'Almada Castro, instructed by Mr. Y. K. Kan, appeared for the respondent, Yuen Shiu-wa.

The application for eviction was made under Article 5 (1) of the Proclamation on the basis that the respondent had taken the premises by assignment from one Leung Chiu who was, until the relevant date, the monthly tenant, and that as such assignment was in breach of the conditions of the tenancy, the appellant did not thereby become a tenant of the respondent.

The appellant, at the hearing before the Tribunal, contended that he had not taken an assignment but was a sub-tenant of Leung Chiu in respect of a portion of the premises.

"On the submission that the decision was against the weight of evidence, it cannot be denied that the evidence for the prosecution contained a great number of contradictions. The great majority of these are upon a

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# What Happened In The Courts

## Watch-Repairer Goes To Gaol

Wong Chi, 29, watchmaker, before Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Central yesterday, charged with receiving a watch, knowing it to have been stolen, was sentenced to four months' hard labour.

D. I. Fong told the court that Leung Kam, of No. 72 Queen's Road West, stole from his father a wrist watch valued at \$200.

The lad took the watch to defendant who bought it for \$25.

Defendant pawned the watch for \$50 and sold the pawn ticket for \$10.

Defendant declared he did not know the watch had been stolen. He bought it because it was offered to him.

He was a watch repairer and had no staff, and must carry on his business.

## ARMED ROBBERY

Chan Nuen, who pleaded guilty to three charges of robbery and one charge of possession of a revolver, was yesterday sentenced by Mr. Justice E. H. Williams (Pulse Judge) to 12 years' imprisonment with hard labour and 24 strokes of the cane.

As he left the dock, Chan swore at the Chinese detective who had brought about his arrest.

Wong Hoi, who was charged with Chan Nuen and who was found guilty by a jury on charges of robbery, receiving stolen property and possession of a dagger, was sentenced by Mr. Justice Williams to seven years' imprisonment with hard labour and ten strokes of the cane.

## DECREE NISI

A Decree Nisi granted to Mrs. Maria Socorro Botelho Alvares against Mr. Alfredo Victor Jose Alvares, was made Absolute yesterday by Mr. Justice T. J. Gould.

The Petitioner, Mrs. Alvares, was represented by Mr. A. A. da Silva.

## ORDER ABSOLUTE

An Order Absolute was made by Mr. Justice T. J. Gould yesterday, in respect of the Decree Nisi granted to Mrs. Lillian Florence Knight, nee Rose, against Mr. Thomas Leonard Knight.

Mr. M. A. da Silva appeared for the Petitioner, Mrs. Knight.

# TRAFFIC LOSSES STILL KEEP AT HIGH LEVEL

Fifteen people were killed and twenty seriously injured in traffic accidents occurring in Hong Kong and Kowloon in July.

The total number of accidents involving persons injured and damage to vehicles only for the month was 485.

Comparative figures for May and June are as follows:—

	Fatal	Serious	Total
May	10	28	410
June	11	25	470

An analysis for the figures of July shows that the principal causes of accidents were due to:—

- (a) Fault of drivers 200 cases
- (b) Jay Walking 146 cases
- (c) Jumping off moving vehicles 39 cases

Action was taken by the Police Force in 1,008 traffic cases, ranging from reckless and careless driving, speeding, totting for hire, carrying excess passengers and unnecessary use of horn.

The number of fatal accidents has shown an increase in Hong Kong this month by one, making a total for July of five.

In Kowloon an increase is recorded of two, making a total nine.

The proportion of damage-only accidents is still high and investigation reveals that the majority of these accidents are due to carelessness and could be easily avoided if drivers would pay more attention to the courtsey and safety rules of the road.

# Hawking Licences Suspended

With reference to the recently published report of the Committee on Hawking, the Urban Council announces that it has been necessary to suspend the issue of further itinerant licences for the time being until all the current licences have been exchanged for either "fixed pitch" or "pedlar" licences.

It is proposed to commence the change over to the new licences at the beginning of the next licensing season i.e. 1st October, 1947, and notices will be published shortly requesting all licensed itinerant hawkers to come forward for registration and allocation of sites.

The allocation of hawkers to the "fixed pitches" will be dealt with and decided solely by the Urban Council.

New by-laws, which include a new scale of fees for all licences, are being drawn up and will be published shortly.

No fees should be paid to any other person or organisation in respect of allotment of any particular hawkers site or pitch.

The "fixed pitch" hawkers will be allowed an area of 4' x 3' each and this site must be completely vacated and cleared each night by 10 p.m. so that the area may be properly cleaned.

The "pedlar's" licence will enable a licensee to hawk from door to door in a particular district but will not entitle the holder to squat, expose for sale, sell his wares, or obstruct the streets in any way.

In a free-for-all outside the Red Lion Cafe, Hankow Road, at 8.40 p.m. last night, a White American seaman was badly beaten up by about 20 Negro seamen of the "General Gordon".

He had to be admitted to Kowloon Hospital.

The men dispersed upon the arrival of the Emergency Squad under S.I. Cutler.

No arrests were made.

of course, lost. Li Shy, 21, lost three gold finger rings; Li Ping, 43-year-old woman, one gold ring; and Lam Fung, 15-year-old girl, one gold ring.

When the launch arrived at Hong Kong, continued DSI Askew, Li Shy caught hold of accused and had him arrested by a Chinese constable.

## RADIO

ZBW Hong Kong broadcasting on a frequency of 845 Kilocycles from 12.30 to 2.00 p.m., and 0.30 to 1.00 p.m., and also on 0.52 megacycles in the 31 metro band from 12.30 to 1.15, 7.30 to 8.30 and 9.15 to 11.00 p.m.

12.30 p.m.—Daily Programme Summary.

12.32 p.m.—Jimmy Leach and His New Orchestra.

12.47 p.m.—Whisper (Vocal).

1.00 p.m.—News, Weather Report and Announcements.

1.15 p.m.—Glow—Lyrie Suite, Op. 54.

1.30 p.m.—Orchestral Interlude.

1.50 p.m.—From the Shows: "Musical Comedy".

2.00 p.m.—Close Down.

6.30 p.m.—Film Memories.

7.00 p.m.—George Boulanger and His Orchestra.

7.15 p.m.—Hal Lorenzo at the Piano.

7.30 p.m.—Studio: La Demi-heure Française.

8.00 p.m.—London Relay: World News.

8.10 p.m.—London Relay: Home News from Britain.

8.15 p.m.—Studio: "Sing Hinh, Sing Low"—Vocal Recital by Celia Holman (Soprano) with Betty Brown at the Piano.

8.30 p.m.—Studio: Record Review. A Review of latest records received by ZBW. Presented by Nicki Lorraine.

9.00 p.m.—Ball Music.

9.15 p.m.—BBC Transcription Service: "So This is Marriage".

10.00 p.m.—London Relay: News.

10.10 p.m.—Weather Report.

10.15 p.m.—Songs and Music of the South.

10.30 p.m.—Music for Dancers.

11.00 p.m.—Close Down.



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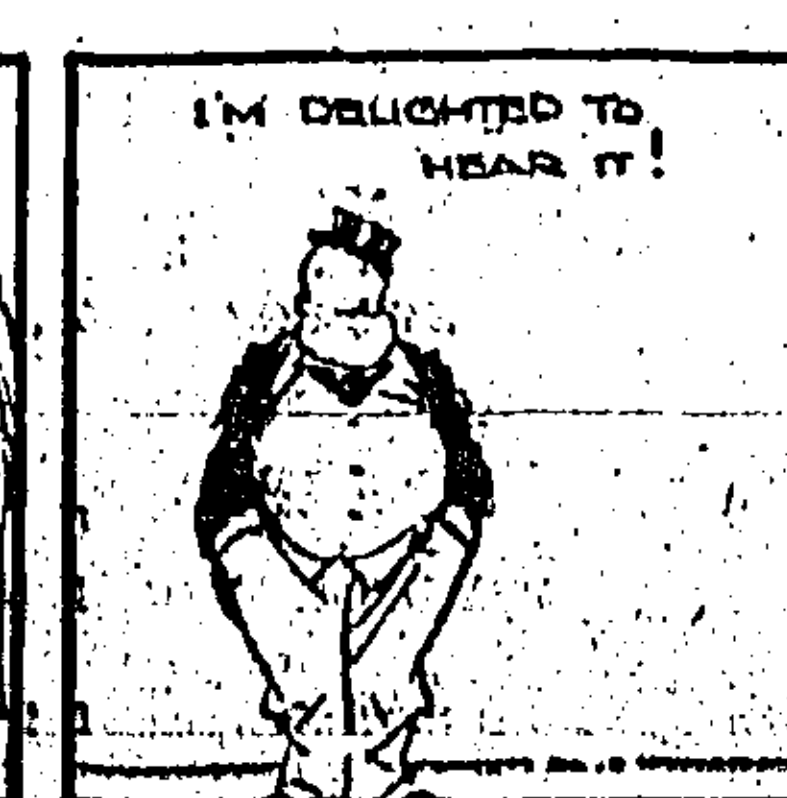
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## IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG IN BANKRUPTCY NO. 6 OF 1947.

Re: The Universal Traders and Au Kar Hock  
managing partner thereof. Debtors.  
Ex parte The Dah Yeh Trading Company. Creditors.

## IN THE MATTER OF A BANKRUPTCY PETITION FILED ON THE 24TH DAY OF JULY 1947.

TAKE NOTICE that a Bankruptcy Petition has been pre-  
sented against you by The Dah Yeh Trading Co. of Bank of  
East Asia and the Court has Ordered that the service of the  
Petition upon you be effected by serving a sealed copy of the  
above-named Petition together with a sealed copy of the Order  
for substituted service on an adult inmate within the premises  
of No. 12 Stanley Street, ground floor Victoria in the Colony of  
Hongkong being your usual and last known place of business  
and by posting up copies of the aforesaid documents at the  
Court House Door of Court of Justice, Victoria aforesaid and  
that this shall be deemed to be service of the Petition upon you;  
(a) and further take notice that the said Petition will be heard  
at the Supreme Court on the 23rd day of August, 1947 at 10  
o'clock in the forenoon, on which day you are required to  
appear, and if you do not appear the Court may make a re-  
ceiving order against you in your absence.

The Petition can be inspect by you on application at the  
Supreme Court.

Dated this 18th day of August, 1947.

Sd. P. R. SPRINGALL  
Deputy Registrar.

To The Universal Traders and Au Kar Hock managing partner  
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that the presence of such  
tunnels should be reported in  
writing to the Executive En-  
gineer 1/c Roads and Tunnels,  
Public Works Department,  
Lower Albert Road, immediate-  
ly.

The Public Works Department  
will not undertake liability for  
any such tunnels unless they  
are reported before 21st Septem-  
ber, 1947, and liability for any  
damage due to such tunnels  
which have not been reported by  
that date will be the responsi-  
bility of the owners of the prop-  
erty concerned.

V. KENIFF,

Director of Public Works.

Hong Kong, 30th July, 1947.

## FOR INFORMATION OF SHIP OPERATORS AND CHARTERS.

It is hereby notified that  
Monday, 18th August, 1947, has  
been declared a Weather-non-  
working day.

J. JOLLY,

Harbour Master.

Harbour Department,  
Hongkong, 19th August, 1947.

## CIVILIAN PASSENGERS BY TROOP TRANSPORTS.

Passes for relatives and  
friends to board Troop Trans-  
ports to meet or see off civilian  
passengers will in future be  
issued by Sea Transport Officer,  
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## Notice to Consignees S.S. "ESANG"

From Straits and Calcutta  
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will be surveyed in the presence  
of the Hong Kong & Kowloon  
Wharf & Godown Co. Ltd. be-  
tween the hours of 10 a.m. and  
noon on Thursday 21st August  
1947. Consignees are advised to  
have their Representatives pre-  
sent during the Survey.

Consignees are warned that  
claims for damage or shortage  
may not be accepted if the  
damage is not surveyed by  
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the presence of Consignees' Re-  
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## Typist Felt The Strain

Tokyo, Aug. 19.

Slow typing of a Jap-  
anese Embassy secretary in  
Washington was  
blamed by a witness  
testifying before the In-  
ternational Military Tri-  
bunal today, for the fail-  
ure to deliver Japan's  
final note to the United  
States until one hour af-  
ter Pearl Harbour was  
attacked.

Shirojo Yuki, Foreign Minis-  
try official who accompanied  
Saburo Kurosu to Washington  
for the final negotiations, told  
the Tribunal that only the  
secretary could operate the  
typewriter "decently" and he  
was "under such a strain" that  
he made many mistakes which  
delayed preparation of the note  
until 1350 hours December 7,  
1941, Washington D.C., time,  
despite instructions from Tokyo  
to deliver the message by 1300.

Kurosu and Admiral Nomura  
gave the Secretary of State, Mr.  
Cordell Hull, the note at 1420.  
The prosecution did not cross-  
examine Yuki, but pointed out  
to the court that previous pro-  
secution testimony had alleged  
conspiracy among Japanese offi-  
cials in Tokyo to delay delivery  
of the note until after the Pearl  
Harbour attack was under way.

The first Japanese overt act  
occurred at 1045, December 7,  
1941, Washington D.C. time,  
when Japanese troops seized the  
Bund of the International Settle-  
ment in Shanghai (all  
times listed are Washington  
D.C. time).

At 1140, the Japanese shell-  
ed British defences at Kota  
Bahru, north Malaya. At 1305,  
Nipponese swarmed ashore in  
southern Siam advancing to-  
ward the Malay border. At  
1320 Pearl Harbour was attacked  
and at 1420 the note was  
handed to Hull.—Associated  
Press.

## As Chinese As A Kite

London, Aug. 18.

Mr. Yeh Chun-chun, 33-year-  
old Chinese author, who was  
invited to Britain three years  
ago to lecture, is now pursuing  
his study of English at Cam-  
bridge University.

His first novel, "The Moun-  
tain Village," published by the  
Sylvan Press, has been highly  
spoken of by leading book re-  
viewers.  
Writing in the "Evening  
Standard" reviewer, Margaret  
Lane says: "I am always  
fascinated and astonished by  
anyone capable of writing a  
good book in a tongue other  
than his own. And 'The Moun-  
tain Village' is a good book  
without any qualification. It  
is written with a sort of smil-  
ing simplicity which is as per-  
suasive as the quiet voice of  
the practised story teller, and  
in this way it is unmistakably  
Chinese. Although the English  
is without fault, the images are  
as Chinese as a paper kite."

Amsterdam Aug. 19.  
Two Dutch chemists, Dr. J.  
F. Arcus and Dr. D. A. Van  
Dorp, said today that they had  
succeeded in finding a method  
for synthetic production of  
vitamin A after four years of  
experimentation.—United Press.

## Jew Hunger Strike 'Very Exaggerated'

Paris, Aug. 19.

Food was again today taken on board the three  
British transports lying off Port de Bouc, for  
the 4,500 illegal immigrants on board, some of  
whom were reported to have gone on a hunger  
strike.

The strike was said to concern  
particular immigrants on board  
the Empire Rival, but a spokes-  
man for the British Consulate  
General in Marseilles described  
the reports as "grossly exaggerat-  
ed."

"It was a very half-hearted af-  
fair," he said. "It is true that a  
small number of immigrants on  
board the ship yesterday missed  
their lunch, but that was all  
there was to it."

"On board the other two ships,  
all the other immigrants ate  
normally yesterday," added the  
spokesman, who had personally  
visited the Empire Rival, Run-  
nymede Park and Ocean Vigour.  
A Reuter despatch from Pama-  
gusta, Cyprus, tonight said that

## Crerar To Visit Hong Kong

Tokyo, Aug. 20.

General H. D. G. Crerar  
and members of the Canadian  
official party, who have been  
visiting Japan for a week,  
departed for Nanking and  
Hong Kong today.  
General Crerar will then  
return to Canada.—Associated  
Press.

## The Twain Must Meet Soon

London, Aug. 19.

Mr. Vernon Bartlett, M.P., and  
eminent writer on international  
affairs, who has been touring the  
Far East in a further despatch  
to the "News Chronicle" stresses  
China's cultural inheritance as  
compared with Japan's veneration  
of modernism. He also points the  
way the West should follow if  
peace is eventually to be estab-  
lished in the East.

His article is entitled "The  
Twain Must Meet," and in part  
he writes: "In China, the civil  
war has led to the loss of oppor-  
tunities such as are never likely  
to recur. Small wonder that  
many Americans and Europeans  
tend to draw comparisons in  
favour of the Japanese and to  
forget that the Chinese have so  
long a cultural history and still  
so great a respect for learning,  
to overlook their pride in crafts-  
manship and their smiling pa-  
tience in adversity, to admire too  
much those qualities of obedience  
and orderliness in the Japanese  
which are so attractive now, but  
which make them so dangerous  
an enemy."

"From the material point of  
view, one is more confident of the  
speedy recovery of Japan than of  
China. But even in the distant  
noisiest, smallest Chinese street,  
there is some of that tolerance,  
good humour and sense of pro-  
portion that are characteristic of  
great civilisations. To achieve  
security in the Far East, the  
Allies should maintain some kind  
of control until the Japanese  
initiators of all that is vulgar in  
Western civilisation recover those  
old and quieter qualities, and  
until the Chinese are ready to re-  
cover their qualities of discipline  
and integrity in public life."

## BURMA VISIT CANCELLED

London, Aug. 19.

Pressure of public business  
has forced the cancellation of  
the forthcoming visit to Burma  
planned by Sir Stafford Cripps,  
President of the Board of  
Trade, and Lady Cripps. It was  
officially announced tonight.

The Government of Burma  
have now invited Lord Listowel,  
Secretary of State for Burma,  
to visit the country in Sir Staf-  
ford's place. Lord Listowel  
will leave for Rangoon at the  
end of August, accompanied by  
Sir Gilbert Lathwaite, of the  
Burma Office.—Reuter.

## ACTOR'S BODY FOUND

Eastbourne, Aug. 19.

The body of a one-armed man  
clad only in bathing trunks  
washed ashore at Beversay Bay  
here this morning, was believed  
to be that of London actor-pro-  
ducer Robert Wyndham.

He was found on the beach by  
a local fisherman.  
Wyndham was an ex-Royal  
Air Force pilot and broke into  
British films during the war. He  
appeared in "For Those in Trou-  
ble," "Champagne Charlie,"  
"Dead of Night" and "Captive  
Heart."  
He lost an arm in an aircraft  
while filming "Test Pilot"—Reu-  
ter.

## Croydon Free Vegetable Market

Croydon, Aug. 20.

More than 500 shop-  
pers besieged Croydon's  
grower-to-buyer fruit  
and vegetable market on  
Tuesday bypassing  
greengrocers in a cam-  
paign against high retail  
prices.

Protesting that the prices  
charged by the middlemen were  
restricting consumption at a time  
of surplus, the growers opened  
the market last week.

"We want to sell this stuff at  
your price," the spokesman for  
the producers announced. "You  
tell us the price and I'll write it  
down."

Fourteen farmer sent produce  
to the market on Monday and  
organisers said many more had  
volunteered to furnish supplies  
on Tuesday.—Associated Press.

## TRIESTE SCANDAL

Trieste, Aug. 19.

Five civilian employees of the  
Public Works Department here  
and one unattached civilian  
pleaded innocent today to cor-  
ruption charges at a military  
government investigation of  
Venezia Giulia's US\$1,000,000  
public works graft scandal.

They faced five charges each,  
involving a total of 32,000,000  
lire allegedly taken as "commis-  
sions" on contract assignments.  
The court rejected a defence  
plea and adjourned the trial  
until August 28.—United Press.

## PRAGUE INCIDENT

Prague, Aug. 19.

American delegates to the  
World Youth charged today  
that a Czech army officer held  
an American girl under guard  
for two hours after she refused  
to surrender an American dele-  
gation letter she was preparing.  
The announcement said she  
was released when the Czech  
interpreter pointed out to the  
officer that he "was intimidat-  
ing a foreign citizen"—United  
Press.



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INDONESIAN  
BARRIERS

Mismanagement by those most interested appears to have rendered a solution of the Indonesian problem more difficult than ever.

Ill-advisedly, the Dutch have made it clear that they refuse to accept the legal authority of the Security Council to intervene directly to bring about a peaceful solution of the conflict. It would have been more adroit, as well as more courteous to accept the "pressure" of the Security Council, and such a resolution as that proposed by the Australian delegate to the Council. Even more foolishly, the Indonesian leaders attached such conditions to their acceptance of the American offer of mediation that the United States have felt themselves compelled to withdraw the offer. Where the onus for the present position of futility may finally lie is to be of little importance, except in the sense that it has already been effectively demonstrated that if the situation is left as it is, the success of Dutch military action is assured. To those who believe that every movement which calls itself Nationalist is truly national and that every European in the East is an intruder, the situation in Indonesia is beautifully simple, since the Dutch in that case must always be the aggressors. In point of fact, the Dutch Government, after initial hesitations, have shown a great willingness to meet the views of Republican leaders. Had Dr. Sjahrir, the only leader to show some statesmanlike qualities, not been driven from office by extremists, open hostilities would almost certainly not have been re-commenced. Even so, the economic anarchy and attacks on foreigners in territory under Republican "control" would still have needed remedy. For its own sake and for the sake of the world which it should be supplying, Indonesia urgently requires peace. Its inhabitants, however, will have to find and to support influences more constructive than those which find their outlet in denouncing the Dutch and refusing, without qualifications, the good offices of those whose only interest is in equity.

INVENTORS'  
AWARDS

Unlike the Royal Commission on Awards to Inventors set up in 1919, which issued its last report only in 1937, the present Royal Commission under Lord Justice Cohen, which began its sittings at the end of last year, seems to be proceeding with praiseworthy despatch. The award of £12,000 which it has recommended should be paid to Sir Donald Bailey, the inventor of the celebrated portable bridge so widely used in the war, may be taken perhaps as a pattern of the Commission's judgments. As a Civil Servant, designing for the Ministry of Supply, Sir Donald might on a harsh view have been debarred from claiming an award at all. As the man whose happy inspiration enabled not only British but Allied troops to bridge uncounted rivers, chasms and craters at high speed and without heavy equipment, it would be difficult to measure in reasonable financial terms the debt which is owed to him. The award is thus not a commercial payment at all but a kind of token of national gratitude. To the normal inventor of war devices, not employed at that time as a Government servant, somewhat different considerations apply. But it is improbable that any British claimant will be treated upon a strictly commercial basis, as if he had been, say, a Swiss or Swedish inventor, who had offered to sell the British Government rights in his patent.

Holmes and Bigham announced that some Superior Family Beef in Kaga and Genuine Campetown Whisky has "Just Landed."

Jno. Smith will sell by public auction on Tuesday, by Order of 8. Drinker Esq., U.S. Naval Storekeeper (Macao), 114 boxes of Condensed Pine Apple Cheese, a great portion of which are now in very fair condition for immediate use.

The Swedish Foreign Office today instructed its Moscow Legation to protest against the sinking by Soviet armed forces of German police cars in fishing grounds between Bornholm and Christiano in the southern Baltic Sea.

Finnishmen complained that canisters of mustard gas had been caught in their nets, damaged their catches and their boats.

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India and The Evolution  
Of The Commonwealth  
By Wickham Steed

The transfer in India is accomplished. Two new states have come formally into being as dominions of the British Commonwealth. A title page has been written for the opening chapter of Indian sarak or self-rule. Essentially these things have been wrought by the impact of Western and especially British ideas and ideals upon the Eastern peoples. In no respect have these ideas been more potent than in the voluntary transfer of the British executive power to the legislative and the leaders of Indian Communities.

It is sometimes pretended that the British Government and Crown, in agreeing to the transfer, made a virtue of necessity and acted with seeming magnanimity only because circumstances prevented them from doing otherwise. This pretension is both cynical and shallow. The evolution of the British Commonwealth refutes it for that evolution proves the necessity of magnanimous virtue in the relations of a central authority with communities that attain political manhood under its aegis.

## Freedom First

If George III and Lord North had perceived the necessity of this virtue in the 18th century the thirteen British Colonies of North America would not have fought their War of Independence. Even then British statesmen like Burke proclaimed the doctrine that among the requirements of statecraft, faith in responsible freedom is second to none. In the 19th and 20th centuries this doctrine became a guiding British principle. The transfer of power in India is its latest and in some ways its boldest vindication.

Its boldness lies in the difference between the bestowal of dominion status with independent nationhood upon Canada, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa, and the arrangement that India and Pakistan should likewise possess independent nationhood as members of the British Commonwealth. Tough political in form, the characters of these new dominions are predominantly religious in substance. So sharp was the religious divergence between the Hindu and Muslim communities in India that territorial partition became an indispensable preliminary to any agreement upon Indian freedom either between them or with the

British Government. No similar difficulty arose when the earlier dominions were in the process of formation.

## Major Issue

Alongside the political and economic problems that await treatment by the Governments of India and Pakistan this divergence of religious outlooks is likely to be a major preoccupation of them both. Mahatma Gandhi, who wields great spiritual influence as the foremost living saint of Hinduism, had proposed to assuage what is known as "communal" strife by spending the remaining years of his life among the Muslims of Pakistan. A fresh outbreak of "communal" fighting in Calcutta moved him to declare that he would fast unto death unless the fighting ceased. As a further protest against fanaticism he invited the Muslim Premier of Bengal to live with him in Calcutta—and the invitation was accepted. Such actions, noble in themselves, are religious in inspiration, whatever their political effects may be.

They were also urgent. In Calcutta alone during the week before 15th August Independence Day, twenty-seven lives were lost and more than one hundred and forty persons injured in a "communal" clashes between Hindus and Muslims.

## Punjab Violence

No less grievous was the violence in Punjab. At Lahore its capital a hundred and forty Hindus, Sikhs and Muslims were killed and many more injured on 11th August and on the 12th.

Heavy Pressure  
On Sterling

London, Aug. 19.

The London Times "City Editor" writes that the prospect for sterling certainly isn't easy to forecast.

The strength of gold shares suggests the prevalent view that any currency in difficulty tends to be devalued, but Herr Schacht has demonstrated that this rule is inapplicable under an exchange control.

Clearly, the stage may be reached where say 150,000,000 dollars worth of sterling was seeking transfer into dollars while the British exchange control could supply only 100,000,000. There is nothing to suggest that this 100,000,000 would then simply be offered to the highest bidder.

The situation would probably be handled by prior arrangements whereby only say two-thirds of transferrable sterling would be purchased for dollars at an official rate. Holders of the remaining one-third could then either leave it in sterling or sell it for dollars at a free market rate.

Plenty of restricted sterling is already traded at a discount. The only difference would be that part of the current sterling would be added as a separate category. This would still preserve the transferability though doubtless Britain would have to pay more sterling for imports.

The alternative method would be to block part of the sterling proceeds of current transactions. Either method would reduce imports.

## Dangerous

This is an inappropriate moment for any devaluation, and devaluation of sterling in isolation would be dangerous. When the inflationary pressure has been overcome and there is danger of an inevitable reaction, general devaluation if desirable may be appropriate, but the time has not come yet.

Earl Lloyd  
George Bankrupt

London, Aug. 19.

Earl Lloyd George, 68, son of the famous World War I Prime Minister, had his public examination at the London Bankruptcy Court adjourned until October 16.

Disappointed at his son's "lack of interest in politics" the first Earl, when he died in 1945, left the heir to his title nothing under the terms of his £141,000 will. His health has prevented the present Earl from practising his profession of civil engineering.

It was stated in court today that the latest filed statement showed the Earl's liabilities at £4,142 and his assets at £1,804.—Reuter.

Nevertheless there are substantial grounds for hope in the cooperation and the unanimity which Hindu and Muslim leaders have shown in the work of preparing for the exercise of executive power in their respective dominions. They have established two strong centres of Government at Delhi and Karachi and to these centres the provincial authorities have been entrusted with wide powers in addition to those over the defence, external affairs and communications. Indian princely states have also tended to associate themselves with one or the other of the two dominions. I regard these developments as the more satisfactory because the history of India proves that without a strong central Government the country is likely to split into a large number of weak units. The problem of governing India has always been a problem of coordinating the local diversities with the central authority.

## Something Will Remain

The British Raj in the sense of control of India by the British Government is a thing of the past. Hindu and Muslim sarak or self-rule has replaced it. Yet something, and perhaps much, of the framework erected by the British Raj will remain as a scaffolding for the new edifices of Indian freedom. As one successor to the British Raj, a Hindu Raj will now rule wider regions than any Hindu Polity in Indian history. The other successor or Pakistan will form the largest Muslim Polity in the world—or in India since the Mogul Empire was founded between 1556 and 1605 by Akbar the Great.

Throughout Asia the progress of these new polities will be watched as keenly as in the British Commonwealth. Britons in particular will watch it with good will always remembering the words of Macaulay in the House of Commons one hundred and fourteen years ago, "to have found two great peoples sunk in the lowest depths of slavery and superstition and to have so ruled them as to have made them devout and capable of all the privileges of citizens would indeed be a title to a glory all our own."—(LPS).

## CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



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## BARCLAY ON BRIDGE

By Shepard Barclay

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SHORT SUIT BID  
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HOW OFTEN a player with a fine fit for his partner's minor suit, but none for his major, wishes for a safe way to find out if the side could pay the deal in No Trump? But with strength in only one of the two unbid suits, he fears that the other would be run against such a contract. So he must either make a pure guess that his partner stops that fourth suit or else leave the side's sole hope for game to an 11-trick minor contract. In such a situation, the secondary bid of a three-card or less short suit may be the key.

S 10 7 2  
H A K 5  
D Q 10 6 5 4  
C 6 2

SJ866 N SK3  
HJQ97 W H8632  
D98 D73  
C743 S CAK985

SAQ94  
HJ4  
DAKJ2  
CQJ10

(Dealer: South. East-West vulnerable.)

South	West	North	East
1. 1 D	West 2 D	Pass	Pass
2 S	Pass	3 S	Pass
4 S			
2. 1 D	Pass	2 D	Pass
2 S	Pass	3 H	Pass
3 NT			

The first round of bidding, also South's second bid, were exactly alike at practically all

tables of a sizable duplicate. Then came the variations. Among a choice of evils, some supported the spades with only an inadequate three cards, as in the first sequence above. The declarer in those cases lost two tricks in clubs and two in spades, though double-dummy trump play could have made it—losing the 9 finesse to the J, next dropping the K with the A, and using the 10 and 9 on the last two trump tricks.

Other Norths preferred to favour diamonds again on their second round, after hearing the 2-Spades; they bid either three or four. Nearly all of those got into 5-Diamonds and the declarer lost two tricks in clubs plus one in spades to be set a trick.

One North made a pure guess that his partner could probably stop clubs, so bid 2-No Trumps and South then 3-No Trumps, which of course was alright and with an extra trick virtually certain. But one got to the 3-No Trumps more safely. On his second turn, over the 2-Spades he bid 3-Hearts. South could not possibly consider this a four-card suit, as in that case it would have been the first response instead of the raise in diamonds. It told South to bid 3-No Trumps if he stopped clubs, which he did.

Tomorrow's Problem

S 8 3  
H 8  
D K Q 6 4 2  
C K 10 5 3 2

SJ1095 N S74  
H A972 W F H1064  
D J9 S D10873  
CA7 S C J864

(Dealer: East. East-West vulnerable.)

What bidding should follow if South opens with 1-Heart and North bids 2-Diamonds?

Dogs Search  
For Missing

Whitehaven, Cumberland, Aug. 19.

Flight-Lieutenant R. D. Cooper, an Australian, this morning took three Alsatian dogs down the William pit here to help trace the last six of 104 mine disaster victims.

The dogs are Jet (holder of the Dickin Medal—the animals' V.C.) Rex and Prince. Jet saved the lives of 50 people buried in London air raids and discovered 120 bodies in bombed property. Rex and Prince, two Royal Air Force dogs, were used in a recent search for an escaped Polish soldier in Norway.

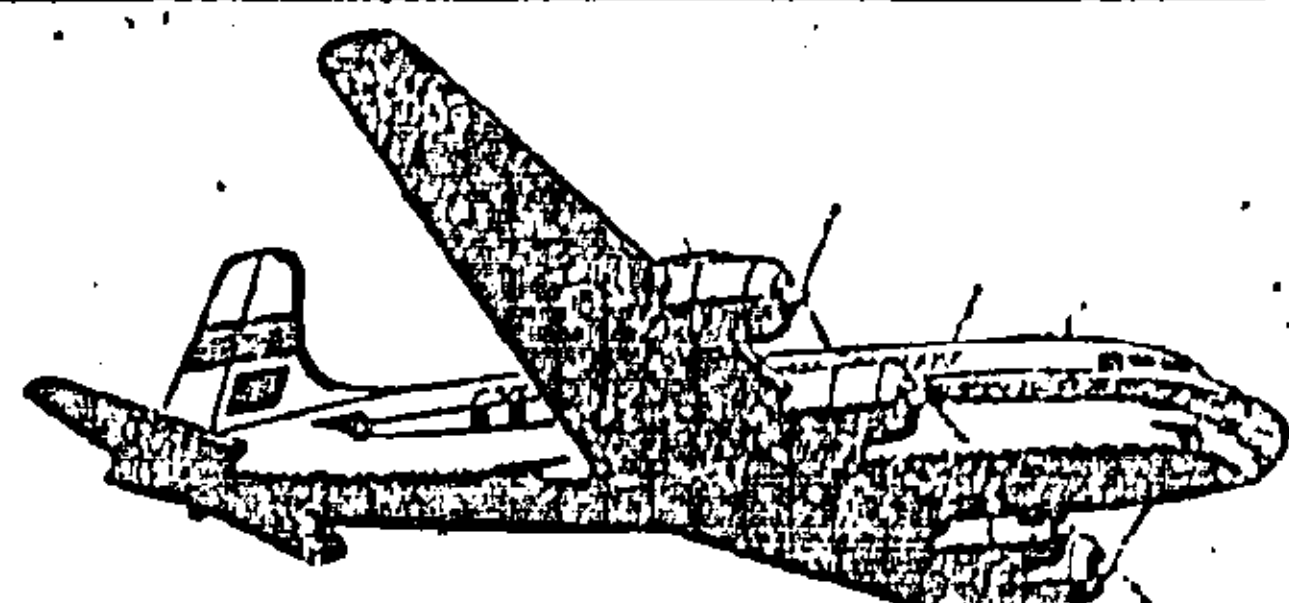
The remaining victims are believed to be buried under the falls. Of the 28 bodies located, 75 had been brought to the surface last night.—Reuter.

## FOREST FIRES

Hamburg, Aug. 19.

Ten forest fires, raging since Friday, in an old military training area near Cologne, were exploding abandoned war munitions, the German news agency in the British Zone reported tonight. Three people have been injured. Trenches are being dug to check the fires.—Reuter.





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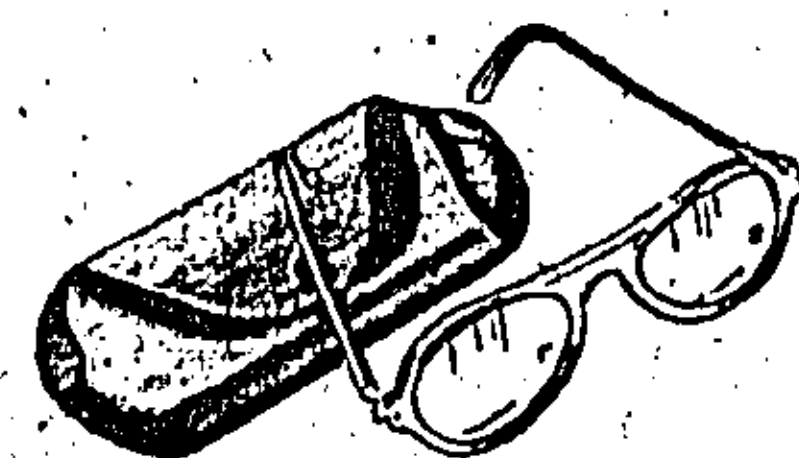
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# DEADLOCK ON BALKANS Soviet Again Makes Use Of The Veto Explosive Debate At Lake Success

Lake Success, Aug. 19.

Two more Soviet vetoes killed all chances tonight of United Nations Security Council action in the Balkans crisis.

The East-West deadlock now will be thrown before the 55-nation United Nations General Assembly by the United States on September 16.

If that fails, the United States has threatened to take "collective action" to block an alleged plot by the Communists to seize control of Greece.

Russia's Andrei Gromyko cast the fifteenth and sixteenth Soviet vetoes to crush the last-ditch proposals by Australia and the United States to install a long-range United Nations border watch in the Balkans and brand the trouble there an outright threat to world peace.

In both cases, nine of the Council's 11 members voted "yes" and Mr. Gromyko, supported only by the Polish delegate, dealt the coup d'etat with a simple raising of his right arm.

Only 24 hours earlier he had used the great power of veto three straight times to keep Portugal, Ireland and the Transjordan out of the United Nations. It was the most concerted use of the veto and the most explosive 24-hour period in United Nations history.

## Futile Speeches

In the climax of two hours of futile speechmaking by the Slav bloc, Mr. Gromyko used the veto to kill the Australian proposal which branded the situation a threat to peace and, without placing any blame, called on all four governments to cease provocation. It also called for a team of United Nations observers to patrol the Balkans borders.

Forty-five minutes later, Mr. Gromyko's "no" killed a similar American proposal, which directly blamed Albania, Bulgaria and Yugoslavia for the trouble in Northern Greece and ordered them to stop, under pain of stronger punitive measures by the Council. It also called for a border commission.

Australia's William Hodgson heatedly denounced big power vetoing privileges as the "most vicious instrument ever utilized

by man" for thwarting the will of the majority. Mr. Gromyko was silent through the two and a half hours of debate which preceded the vetoes and thundered after the vote that the United States and Australian proposals were only part of a "political game" being played in South-eastern Europe by the countries of the West.

Then he lit the fuse for another fight by insisting that the disposal of the Western powers' resolutions meant the automatic dissolution of the temporary United Nations investigating Commission being maintained in the Balkans "pending a new decision" by the Council.

Sir Alexander Cadogan and Mr. Herschel Johnson shot back that the Russians were mistaken. The Council President, Mr. Farris el Khouri of Syria, also said so.

There the question was left hanging as Mr. El Khouri tapped his gavel to end the stormy session.—United Press.

## Paris Shocked By Sex Tragedy

Paris, Aug. 19.

The ravished and battered body of a "young and beautiful girl," wearing a thin gold "slave" chain on her slim right ankle, was dragged from the placid Seine yesterday, the police announced today.

The body was found under the bridge of Saint Michel, still clad in a blue and white pink summer frock, her long blonde hair trailing in the current, her lips still bright with orange lipstick.

The authorities notified all prefectures and commissariats, who spread the word. This morning, fathers, mothers and lovers trooped through sultry Paris streets to

the Medico-Legal Institute. Each left without identifying her.

An autopsy was held last night and an emotional French inspector, with tears in his eyes, gave details. "She was probably 16, certainly not more than 18," he said. "She had perfect features, which were bruised and cut slightly. Her eyes were light grey and orange lipstick was still on her mouth. Her nose was turned up and a pink ribbon was tied in her hair. High-heeled white shoes with straps were on her feet. Her underwear was pink and on her ankle was a thin gold 'slave' chain."

The inspector said the girl "had been abused against her will because she was dead before she hit the water, about four hours before she was found."—United Press.

## Strange Incident In Palestine

Jerusalem, Aug. 19.

Shots "from a military vehicle" were fired this afternoon at a Jewish bus near Givat Brenner on the coastal plain, killing a Jewish boy who only recently came to Palestine from Europe. Unofficial reports from the scene said that the shots fatally wounded Moshe Horodisky, aged 17, and wounded another passenger.

The vehicle was reported to have proceeded down the road firing on another bus, wounding Itzhak Adler, a hotel owner of Gadera, in the leg.

In the meantime, calm returned to the border districts of Tel Aviv and Jaffa, where there had been Jewish-Arab rioting six days last week. The night curfew imposed on the area was lifted tonight.

Communal disturbances continued on a very small scale today.

This morning the crew of a military ambulance found Aharon Mukhtar, an agricultural labourer of Haifa, lying unconscious on the road between the historic cities of Gaza and Beersheba.

When he regained consciousness, Mukhtar related that he was travelling on an Arab bus which stopped by a roadside. Six or seven passengers attacked him with daggers, he said. He fled from the bus but was pursued

and stabbed and left lying on the road.

About the same time, Ellahu Steinman, who was walking along the road near Tel Aviv, said a vehicle drew up beside him, and two men, whom he believed to be Arabs in European clothes, struck him, apparently with an iron bar. He was not seriously hurt.

—Reuter.

## MINERS GOING ON TO THE LAND

Leeds, England, Aug. 19.

Twenty-six thousand miners who have been on an "unofficial" strike at the Grimethorpe collieries, South Yorkshire, for the last 10 days, are deserting the mines for the land.

Farmers are offering strikers £1 a day as fruit pickers. The strike has, so far, cost the country 25,000 tons of coal.

—Reuter.

## Malaya Income Tax Proposals

Singapore, Aug. 19.

A tax of about three per cent on incomes above Straits \$5,000 and a flat 20 per cent tax on company profits were recommended in an official report issued tonight by Mr. R. B. Heaman, Commissioner for Income Tax to the Malayan Government.

The revenue derived from this taxation, imposed uniformly throughout the Malayan Union and Singapore, would meet this year's estimated deficit of \$52,000,000, Mr. Heaman said.

Last weekend, 28 representatives of 16 Malayan political bodies met in Kuala Lumpur to demand that no taxation should be imposed "without full political representation."

They passed a resolution criticising the Government expenditure.—Reuter.

## Irgun Threats In Austria

Vienna, Aug. 19.

The publishers of the American-sponsored German language newspaper, Wiener Kurier, received a letter today purportedly signed by the Irgun command in Austria, taking credit for the bombing and derailment of a British leave train a week ago.

The letter, written in German, said: "On Monday, August 4, 1947, soldiers of the Jewish national military organization attacked the officers' quarters of the British High Command in Vienna."

"On Tuesday, August 12, 1947, soldiers of the organization attacked a British military train on its way through the British occupation zone of Austria, in

the neighbourhood of Mallnitz. One bomb exploded at Mallnitz, derailing several cars but causing slight injuries to only one passenger.

"The communication also said: 'The British command in Austria carries out a policy of hatred, directed against homeless Jews who are on their way to Palestine and the Mediterranean ports and this is the way of repaying them.'"

"The American military authorities disclosed renewed threats of violence against American military personnel and installation in Austria but would not disclose the objectives named by the alleged Irgunists.—United Press.

## Panic In N'foundland

St. John's, Newfoundland, Aug. 19.

Messages from Port Nelson, on Bonaville Bay, today said that raging forest fires bearing down on the settlement were only 50 yards from dwellings.

Women and children were evacuated from Port Nelson and flames were also threatening nearby Shambler's Cove, the message added.

Inhabitants in many isolated regions, remembering the disastrous Cloverton fire which practically wiped out the town last year, are now sending an appeal for aid as soon as smoke appears in the vicinity, regardless of whether the danger from the dread forest fire is imminent or not, it was reported.

The forest fires near Paquet and Lascie were reported to be practically extinguished late this afternoon.—Reuter.

## U.S. Mission In Greece

Athens, Aug. 19.

Dwight Griswold, chief of the American mission to Greece, announced today that the mission will open an office in Salonika probably tomorrow.

The office will include representatives of Army engineers, relief and other branches working in northern Greece.

Griswold also announced that Greek crews will sail on American tankers for the United States where they will undergo brief training before returning to Greece with six motor gunboats from the American Navy.

It was also announced that two ships with 17,000 tons of flour diverted from other countries will land in Piraeus later this week with post-UNITRA aid for Greece. Ten other food ships, it was believed, will arrive in the next six weeks.—United Press.

## RUHR PACT NEAR

Washington, Aug. 19.

The British and American delegates to the Ruhr Coal Conference here were today reported authoritatively to be in virtual agreement over the establishment of a joint Coal Board to supervise and control Ruhr mining.

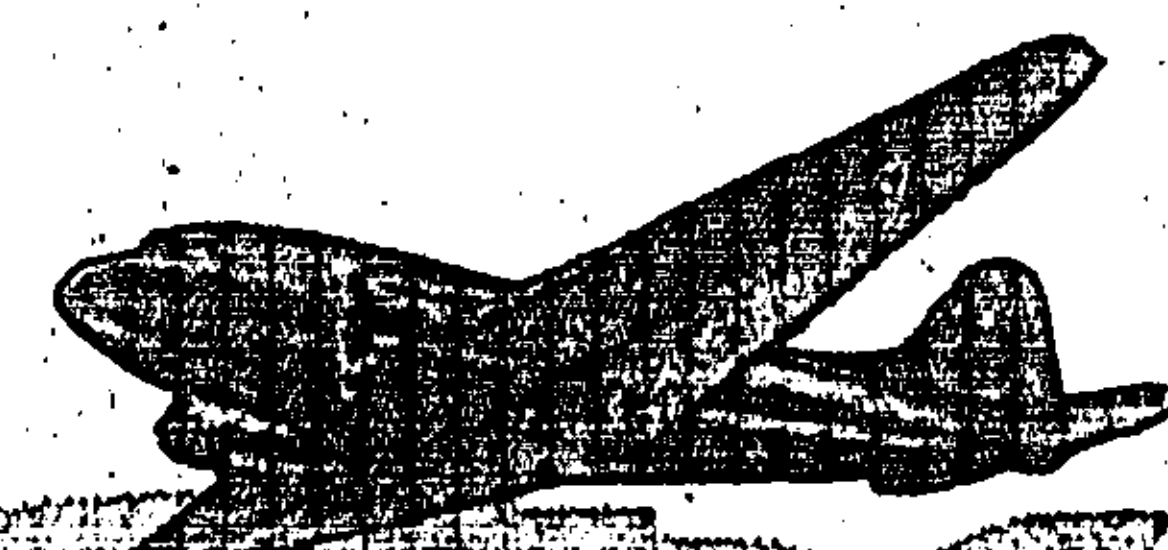
"The final decision on this was expected to constitute the most important result of the Conference, which will complete its work at the end of this week.—Reuter.

## SECRET VISIT

London, Aug. 19.

General George Kenney, Commander of the United States Strategic Air Force, will return to the United States tomorrow after a secret visit to London.

His visit was unknown to any but British and American military and air force experts.—Reuter.



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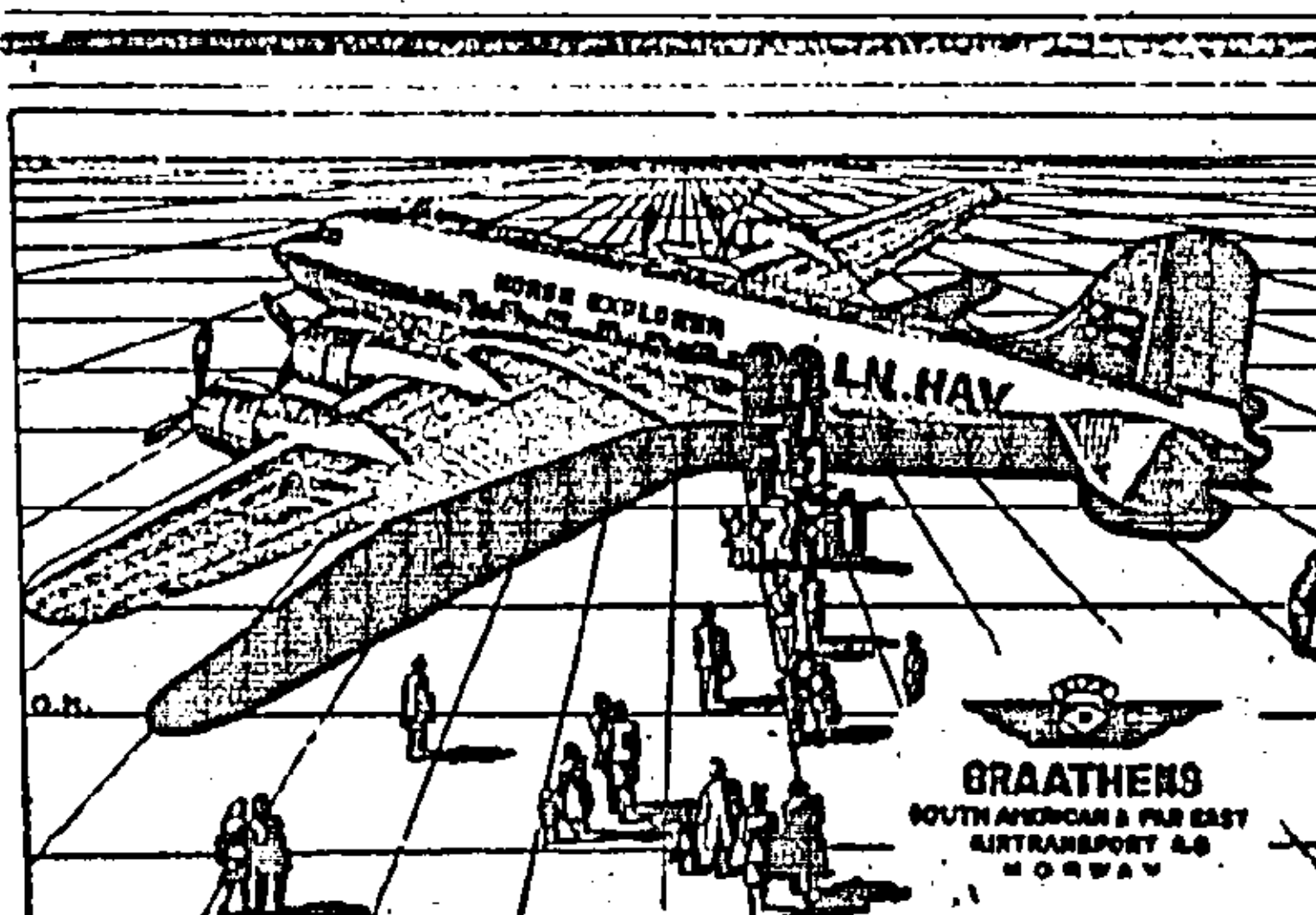
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## Shortage Of Telephones

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Nevertheless, the company, which operates the telephone system in Portugal, and is employed in a five-year development programme, last year obtained delivery of over £350,000 worth of British telephone material in Portugal.

A further outlay of approximately £400,000 is planned for the current year for the development of the Portuguese telephone system.

The waiting list of applicants for telephones totals 17,000. The world shortage of basic materials is the main reason which prevents orders for equipment being fulfilled more promptly.

## Spraying "Suede"

The spraying of wood or cardboard with a metal surface resulting in an all-metal appearance being given is an accepted process and used in industry the world over.

A British firm has now adopted the spray process to provide a textile finish.

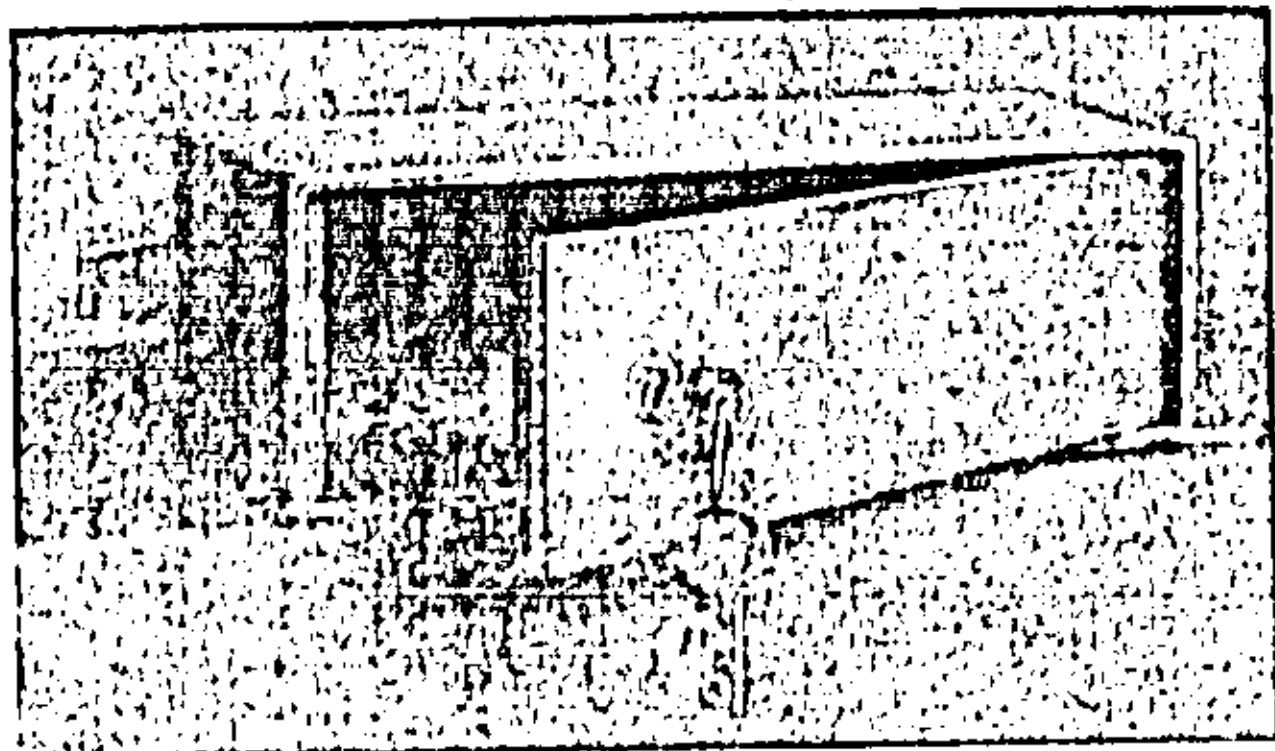
The process makes it possible to spray any surface with material having the appearance of suede and being both fadeless and creaseless. Instead of the tedious business of lining boxes or drawers for cutlery with separate fitted-on pieces, the new method employs a "cartridge" in a spray gun, and the "suede" coating is sprayed on.

The work is completed in a few seconds. One "cartridge" suffices to spray a surface of 60 square feet with material. Three types of finish and 16 different shades are so far available.

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## Stringent Tests Passed By Chubb Safes

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Then comes the inner steel lining completely enclosing the insulation. All the corners of the safes are reinforced by steel angle sections, while tongue and groove fittings are formed with fabricated mitred sections, providing heat and water protection around the door. There is also a gasket for additional protection.

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High Heat Test—of a fire which generates intense heat for a short period.

The next is the Duration Test, in which a safe is subjected to not-so-intense heat for a longer period, and, thirdly, there is the Fall Test, in which a safe is dropped from a height of 20 feet to simulate the collapse of a burning building, and then again put in the furnace for more fire-testing.

### Undamaged

In each of these tests, carried out not once but many times, none of the papers inside the safes were damaged. Similar tests are carried out regularly on other Chubb products.

There is a Chubb safe for every purpose, ranging from the large Safe Cabinets, both single and folding-door types, to the Records Cabinet and through to the small, brick-size wall safe.

Chubb Wall Safes are adaptable for a number of purposes. With coin slots and suitable lettering added, they are ideal alarm boxes for use in Churches, schools, etc. Size One is 3 1/2" high x 8 3/4" wide x 4 1/8" deep, and larger ones can be fitted.

They are constructed with a bent steel welded body, with lugs welded to the back. The door is hung on concealed pivots arranged to form a dog bolt on the back of the door. They are easily concealed either by wall-paper or a picture, making them ideal for household use, as well as for office equipment. All the locks on the Wall Safes are fit-

ted with the Chubb Patent Monitor Lever, a device which makes sure that the bolt is properly home.

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## Engineering Exhibition In London

One of the world's most important engineering exhibitions is due to re-open in London this month after a lapse of nine years. This is the Engineering and Marine Exhibition which, except in the years of the two world wars, has taken place annually since 1906.

The exhibition will be held at Olympia from August 28 to September 13.

This year, more than 400 British firms will be exhibiting. Their products will comprise plant equipment, accessories, and services of all kinds for the mechanical, marine and electrical engineering industries.

British research work in ship-building and engineering will be well represented. The Department of Scientific Industrial Research will have one stand where it will show new testing equipment, new materials, methods of increasing efficiency of boilers by smoke elimination, improvements in welding technique and so on.

Photographs will show methods and instruments used in assessing the finish of various surfaces. Unification of screw threads for use in the United Kingdom, the U.S.A. and Canada is another aspect of research work which will be illustrated, while two working model creep machines will indicate the importance of high temperature research now being carried out by Britain in engineering development work.

### Research

Research, carried out by British research associations, will be illustrated by specially designed apparatus, models and photographic exhibits.

Typical of the items shown by individual manufacturers will be the products of one well-known English firm (Vibros Ltd. of Vickers House, Broadway, Westminster, London) which include machinery for the manufacture of soap and ink, a bottle filling and crowning machine, variable speed gears, a model of a vibration damper box making machinery and a hardness testing machine.

This last machine, which was developed as a result of research for a thoroughly reliable and accurate method of testing hardness of metals applicable to all classes of work, is claimed entirely to eliminate the possibility of error.

## Powerful Power Station

The State Electricity Commission of Victoria, Australia, is to erect a power station at Yallourn more powerful than any so far installed. The Commission has ordered two steam turbo generators from a British firm. The title of the new power station is the Yallourn B power station. The two new generators have a capacity of 10,000 kilowatts and will be the most powerful ever erected in the State of Victoria.

## SKILLED WORKMEN LEAVING

Motor manufacturers in England are seriously perturbed by the drift of skilled fitters and craftsmen from their factories. A considerable number of these men are becoming free-lance repairers, and mushroom enterprises are springing up in many areas near car manufacturing plants.

Acute shortage of spare parts has accelerated this trend, for a mechanic who can turn his hand to panel beating or turning up a component on a lathe can find ample scope for his ability and skill. High prices are willingly paid—usually in notes—to these two-or-three men businesses by people who are desperate to keep their vehicles on the road.

Several of these enterprises were started as Saturday-morning occupations when the five-day week was introduced. They have proved so profitable that they have become full-time jobs for artisans who have become irritated by short-time working in factories and who cannot be effectively employed in garages and repair shops because of lack of spare parts. It is computed that there are orders outstanding in the motor industry today for more than £2,500,000 worth of spares.

### Life Of A Car

The average "service" life of cars has gone up from five to over 10 years. Emphasis on the production of complete vehicles for export prevents material being allocated for the manufacture of spares. Before the war, the unit replacement of worn or defective components was widely adopted by garages; overnight change of an engine, for instance, rather than an overhaul was advocated. As a result local repairers allowed their workshop engineering capacity to diminish.

It is highly likely that the whole pattern of the car distributing and repair industry will be revised during the next decade. Pressure to export will inevitably continue, which means that overseas considerations will play a major part in formulating manufacturers' model policy. Already the Standard Company has taken the bold step of announcing a one-model programme—a husky, four-cylinder six-seater that employs the same engine as is used in their agricultural tractor—with obvious manufacturing economies.

### Second-Hand

The cost of distributing cars to the public has attracted attention of the economists. The recognised dealer in second-hand cars out of new-car sale commissions, before the war was always open to criticism. At today's high prices, something like a fifth of the basic price paid for a new car is absorbed between the factory and the customer.

## Mobile Fair A Success

We have been hearing in recent weeks about the "floating fair" on board the British motor vessel St. Merriel, visiting ports along the East Coast of South America and showing Britain's post-war goods.

This first mobile fair has now come to an end with a million pounds' worth of orders to its credit. When repeat orders come in the organisers estimate that the total value will be in the region of £3 million.

The floating fair was particularly well organised and everything for which there could possibly be a demand overseas was shown on board—planes, knife grinders, hair-cutters and every other imaginable thing, including products from a number of British firms, not previously represented in South America, but for whose goods there is a good market as the orders prove.

This first mobile fair has proved so successful that it will be repeated again next year but on a considerably larger scale.

The Jute plant's fondness for damp heat, plus availability of cheap labour, makes the fiber a virtual monopoly for Bengal, says the National Geographic Society.

Yallourn area has a particularly high moisture content. The two new generators have a capacity of 10,000 kilowatts and will be the most powerful ever erected in the State of Victoria.

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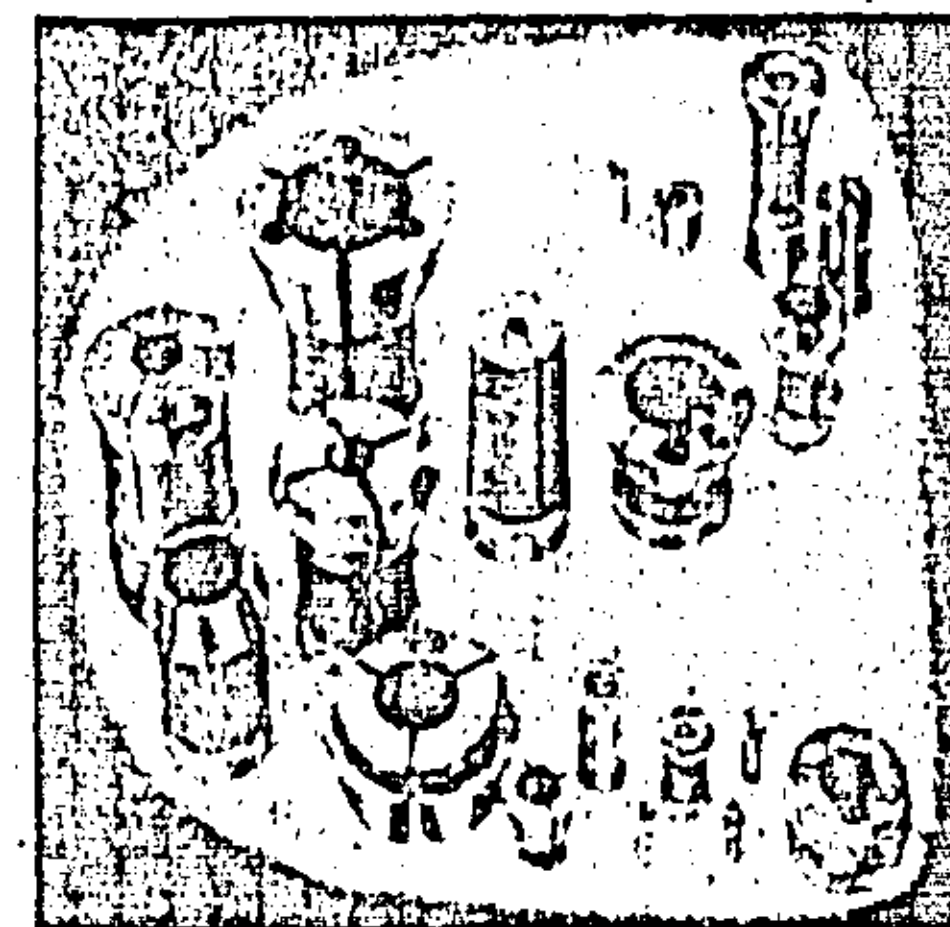
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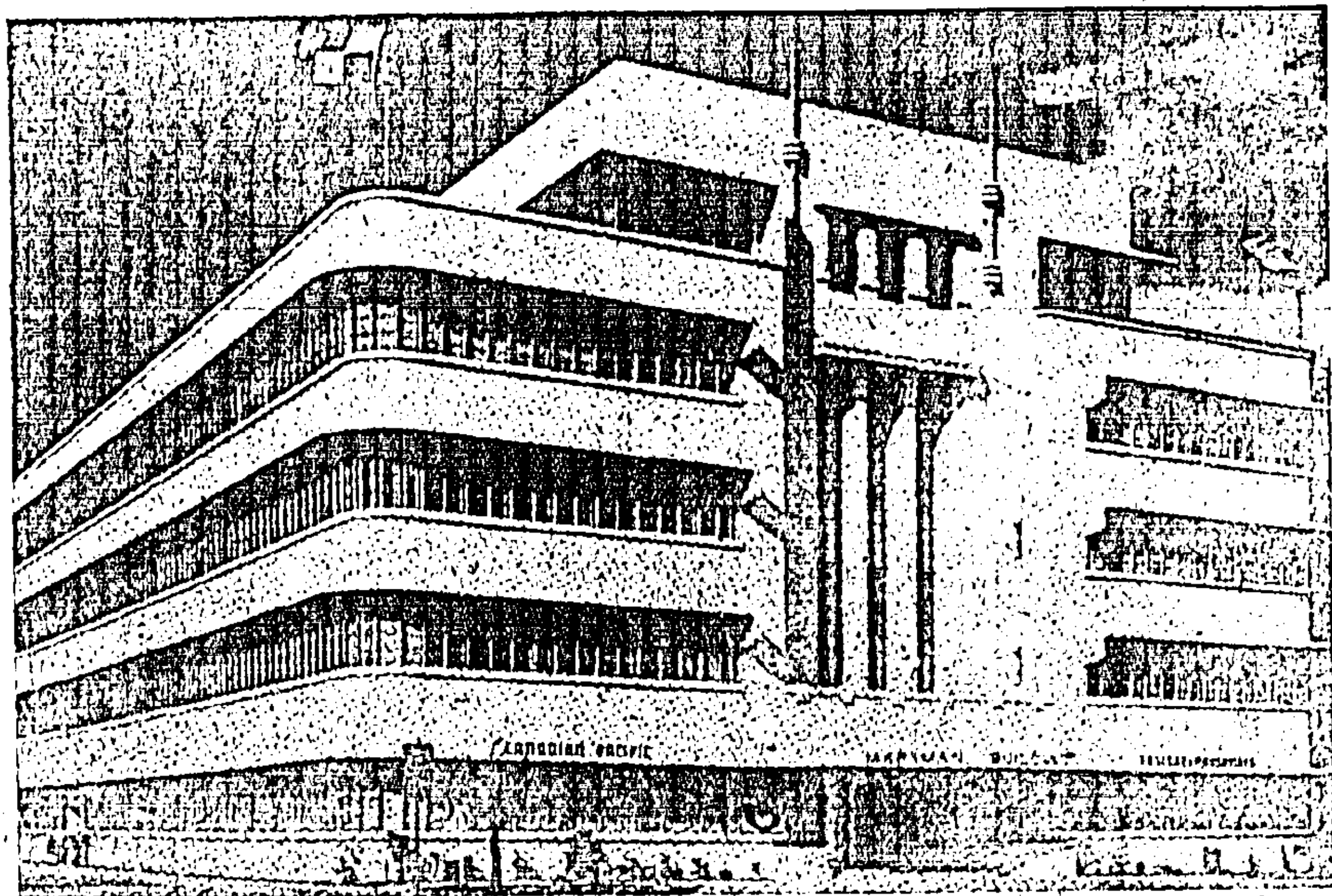
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## Robot Gives "Gen" On The Weather

A robot is a leading character in a new U.S. Weather Bureau service. It gives businessmen a map showing the possibilities on the weather.

The new service is called "applied climatology." It was developed during the war, when generals demanded knowledge of weather conditions far in advance.

It has been discovered that weather conditions follow a "pattern." This pattern may be found if weather statistics for a number of years are studied carefully.

It also has been found this pattern may be projected far into the future—not in the form of a positive forecast, but in terms of the mathematical possibilities that certain weather conditions will prevail.

A circus may plan to visit Illinois. It has a choice of two towns for the first week of September. A study of the weather pattern shows the chances are 50-50 it will rain in Quincy, Ill., say, the first week in September. In Decatur the chances are 90 to 10 it won't.

The odds are based on statistics gathered throughout the Northern Hemisphere since 1899. Some regional statistics are more than 100 years old.

**Data Assembled**  
To obtain the weather pattern for any locality, a team of meteorologists assembles the data concerning that locality on punched cards.

The cards may contain such

information as extremes of temperature, ranges of humidity, winds, solar energy, dust content of the air, rainfall, depth of snow, or combinations of wind, ice and snow.

Statistics for one locality, gathered for 60 years, might fill a freight car, but the weathermen punch only those that relate to the particular problem they are trying to solve.

When the punched cards are completed, the robot takes the spotlight. He is similar to many of the business machines used in offices. The punched cards are fed to him. He digests the statistics, adds, subtracts, divides, and multiplies. Then he turns out his map.

It may contain the names of 50 or more towns in a certain region. Beside each town the robot has printed a numeral. The number beside one city may be "50." This means the chances are 50 to 1 the weather will be suitable for the business project that is being studied.

**Vital Need**  
The method in some instances has been found 90 per cent accurate. Its possibilities for farmers, businessmen, and industrialists seem virtually unlimited.

More than 1,000,000,000 items of information are available from the weather records of the Northern Hemisphere.

Weathermen long ago recognized their value in estimating future-weather patterns, but it was an almost impossible task to use them on a wide scale when pen and pencil or adding machine methods alone were available. A complicated problem might have taken months when weeks counted.

Now it will be possible to carry on studies on a wholesale basis. The service is being developed slowly, however, and it will be a long time before it can be widely expanded.

The chief of this new section, Dr. Woodrow C. Jacobs, was the chief civilian meteorologist for the U.S. Army weather service during the war.

Military leaders who wanted to save men in beach landings and win air battles demanded to know far in advance what the weather risks would be.

The Allied High Command wanted to know, as early as 1942, where and when the best weather conditions would prevail for an invasion of the Continent.

**Eisenhower Helped**

Dr. Jacobs says the climatologists, armed with European weather records, were able to tell Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower the odds were 24 to 1 against "ideal" conditions for a Normandy landing in May, 1945, to 1 in June, and 50 to 1 in July.

By the time the Allied armies were ready for the invasion in 1944, the generals had had their weather information for months. They waited until the last day in the "favourable-weather" period designated by the climatologists, June 6. Dr. Jacobs says the weather behaved in just the way the weathermen had predicted.

This freshly developed skill also greatly increased armies' chances of good weather over targets. The weathermen were quick to realize it also could help businessmen and farmers in peace-time.

**Forecasts**  
Dr. Jacobs emphasizes that this new climatological service has nothing to do with another department of the Weather Bureau that has set up.

The job of this other department is long-range forecasting. It forecasts the weather days in advance.

The climatological service doesn't pretend to be able to say weeks ahead, that it will or will not rain on a given day. It simply states the chances.

Only one of the machines now is at work, at New Orleans, La. Eventually it is planned to have at least seven major climatological centers, with climatologists assigned to all large cities. It may take 10 years to expand to that size.

Because this service isn't of benefit to the whole public, the businessmen or the group of farmers or industrialists who want it have to pay the cost.

**Paludrine**  
Paludrine, the only really effective synthetic anti-malaria remedy, is now being manufactured by British Imperial Chemical Industries in such quantities that 100,000 tons can be exported annually.

Just under two years ago production was nil. The three chemists, Dr. F.H.S. Curt, Dr. D.G. Davey and Dr. F.L. Rose, to whose joint research work the world is indebted, for this wonder drug, have been awarded the British Society of Apothecaries' Gold Medal.

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# INTRODUCTION TO ELECTRONICS

## A Specialised Branch Of Electrical Engineering

First some approach towards a definition. What is meant by Electronics? Spelt with a capital E, and illuminated by imaginative journalism, vivid if not very technical, Electronics is almost anything you wish. It is a magic carpet, transport to the brave new world. It is Alladin's lamp, brand new in the shape of a little radio valve. And so on.

All these metaphors carry their weight of partial truth, for much of electronics, still being developed from day to day, appears both novel in conception and—as it really is—quite remarkable in its wide sphere of application. But to the man with more practical interest, the industrial engineer and the business man, all these highly coloured definitions and descriptions are apt to be a little distasteful. Worse, they are unhelpful because they invest what is an important branch of applied science with something of the glamour more appropriate to the film star.

So for the hard-headed man that sort of stuff will not do. Better, for the first grasping after a definition, to seize upon that phrase "an important branch of applied science." Important, be it added here, not only for what it offers as immediate utility, but for the way in which it enriches all the sciences from which it has sprung.

If electronics be understood, then, as a specialised branch or extension of the ordinary electrical engineering which is already so familiar, at once a better perspective will have been obtained. It is a branch in which practical development was late; it seems almost an addition to the main body of electrical engineering.

But fuller knowledge will show all the physical sciences to be interconnected, and early and late merely the accidents of time. Nevertheless, by defining electronics as part of that larger science in which electricity is harnessed to serve the will of man, one has only begged another and larger question—what is electricity? It all becomes rather reminiscent of the old belief which held that the world was supported on the back of a mighty elephant. The problem of a support for the elephant was readily solved—he stood patiently upon a giant tortoise.

Electricity, fortunately, yields somewhat more satisfying answers, since for more than two thousand years philosophers and scientists have not only theorised upon the subject, but have destroyed and rebuilt their theories, each step leading forward to new and more refined instruments to prise out the still hidden secrets. Today a great mass of knowledge exists. Knowledge of the nature of things—mass, motion, radiation and time itself. The platform upon which the tortoise stands is certainly not the object of the scientist's search today—it is a search for an all-embracing interpretation of the way matter as we know it performs. And it is electricity in particular which gives cohesion to this interpretation, making it applicable to the study of living matter or to the difference, say, between a piece of granite and a pound of super-heated steam.

Man has, first, his five senses to guide him in making a catalogue of nature. Very useful senses, but sometimes unreliable and far from constant as between one individual and the next. He has also fine balances and microscopes, great astronomical telescopes and a whole host of similar extensions of his own power. With these he has built up his picture of the universe, but he has succeeded in completing it only by turning from the immense to the minute; to the smallest possible particles, so small that though their presence may be traced, they themselves have never been seen.

**"Enter It"**  
Now by far the best way of understanding the wonderland of the infinitely small is to enter it and look around for oneself. This, it will readily be understood, can hardly be done in practice, but application may be made to Alice, a young girl quite experienced in the exploration of Wonderland. Alice, it may perhaps be remembered, found a cake and a potion, one of which made her grow bigger, the other smaller. For the exploration

now in hand, both will be needed—one to enter the little world and one for an escape back to our own. First let us diminish, retaining only a visitor's diplomatic privilege, and scientific licence that we may record the facts as though they were, indeed, the results of observation.

As the observer contracts, the objects around him appear to grow. First the child's point of view comes back like an echo. Then comes the world rather as the farside cat sees it, and then the worm's eye view—just as it was expected really, with the polished floor so poor and ridged looking surface. Down to the stage when a hair looks like a cable, and the jagged-looking edge of a newly-ground razor blade is a sight better avoided.

But the process of shrinkage has much further to go, until at last those things are seen which man has so confidently named in his textbooks—the molecules of matter, the smallest units of any given substance which are still hall-marked with the character of that substance and the atoms of the different elements which go to the building up of all the materials which exist. The observer is now completely invisible to us, while to him that small coin left lying on a table is as big as a size cut right across the world at the equator.

Journeying still further into minuteness, he sees the single atoms and the groups and clusters of atoms in ceaseless movement and vibration. In what he had previously called solids the movements are somewhat limited, but in liquids and still more so in gases wild and rapid movement seems perpetual, disorder seems the only order. This movement blurs even the boundaries between one substance and another.

Finally, he is able to perceive the atom itself as a kind of universe of its own. The vast spaces within the atom give him this sense of universe and he notes the interplay of stabilising forces across those spaces. The scientific instruments which he has taken with him on this journey, and which have now surely attained the very ideal of "miniaturisation" are produced for work.

**The Nucleus**  
In the hydrogen atom, which he examines first because it appears to have the simplest structure, there is a massive central nucleus, and whirling on orbit around it is what he detects as a negative charge of electricity. The nucleus, he notes, has an equal but opposite charge, so that the atom as a whole is electrically neutral. In all the other atoms which make up all possible materials he can find only variations on this theme: more complicated central nuclei, more and still more "particles" of negative electricity whirling in clouds about them. The most striking discovery is that all the aspects of negative electricity are identical, quite regardless of the type of atom to which they belong. They are the electrons, formally announced to

the scientific world in 1897 by J.J. Thomson, and honoured by their manifold employment in this their jubilee year.

Our observer is familiar already with the principle that opposite charges attract each other while similar charges repel. He can see this now in action as the very mainstay of sub-atomic world order. But that order by no means seems a precisely regulated one. In substance like glass or rubber the atoms, interlinked into large molecules, preserve their formal arrangements almost intact, but in metals—conductors of electricity, in fact—there is something noticeably different going on. Electrons leave home. They wander freely and aimlessly in the metal, colliding and bouncing in all directions, and so getting nowhere in particular although they travel at hundreds of miles a second.

Whenever any material becomes heated, the general atomic movement increases, whether the material be gas, liquid or solid. Numbers of the wandering electrons under this agitating influence may shoot right out of the material and leave it a "thermionic" or heat emission of electrons takes place. Again, when a supply of extra electrons is forced—say, for instance, the bustling in end of a piece of metal a wire similarly increased, but from being entirely random it takes on a general purposeful direction. Pressed on as it were by the inflow of electronic visitors, there is an overall flow of electrons along the wire. This electronic flow, this directional drift, is the process which, in the larger world, is called an electric current—and reference to the larger world suggests an immediate return to it, so that electricity in action may be regarded again from the more comfortable and familiar viewpoint of everyday life.

### Electrons

Until comparatively recent times engineers were largely concerned with the flow of electricity in metallic circuits. Electricity flowed along wires and behaved as a most useful servant within the discipline of closed circuits. This was its main application. There were such things as nature's display of lightning or its meeker counterpart produced in the laboratory, but these were not quite so docile and, like various other peculiar electrical effects, they were not of such direct use as the current which lit lamps or drove motors. Nevertheless, all these curious electrical effects were partly understood and were the object of painstaking research, and study—study enormously furthered by the development of the electron theory, which presented directional electron "drift" as the essential feature of current flow. An electron stream produced by any means was, in effect, a current—and in this lay the kernel of electronic engineering.

For means were developed to produce just such electron streams outside metallic conductors. Freed from the conventional circuit confines yet under complete control, the current could pass, for instance, through a vacuum or a gas. The circuit was still as "complete" as ever, but the gap that appeared in it was bridged—by current alone. Now without the insight gained from our knowledge of electrons, this might seem as mysterious as the Indian rope trick performed entirely with an invisible "rope." It is comparable, with the passengers on the Flying Scotsman shooting from London to Edinburgh without coach, without engine

## Demand For British Instruments

Scientific instruments are in demand throughout the world in greater numbers than before World War II. As war-time discoveries have produced many valuable innovations, of all kinds in this sphere, and the production of scientific instruments has increased fourfold.

The official figures for the export from Britain of these articles during the first four months of this year recently have been issued. The production figures for the corresponding four months of 1938 are quoted as a guide in brackets.

Medical and surgical instruments exported totalled a value of £102,905 (£32,523), photographic apparatus £123,063 (£30,399), cinematographic and talkie apparatus £95,742 (£10,000), and optical instruments including camera lenses, £223,257 (£54,345). These are only some of the most important figures quoted to show the general trend.

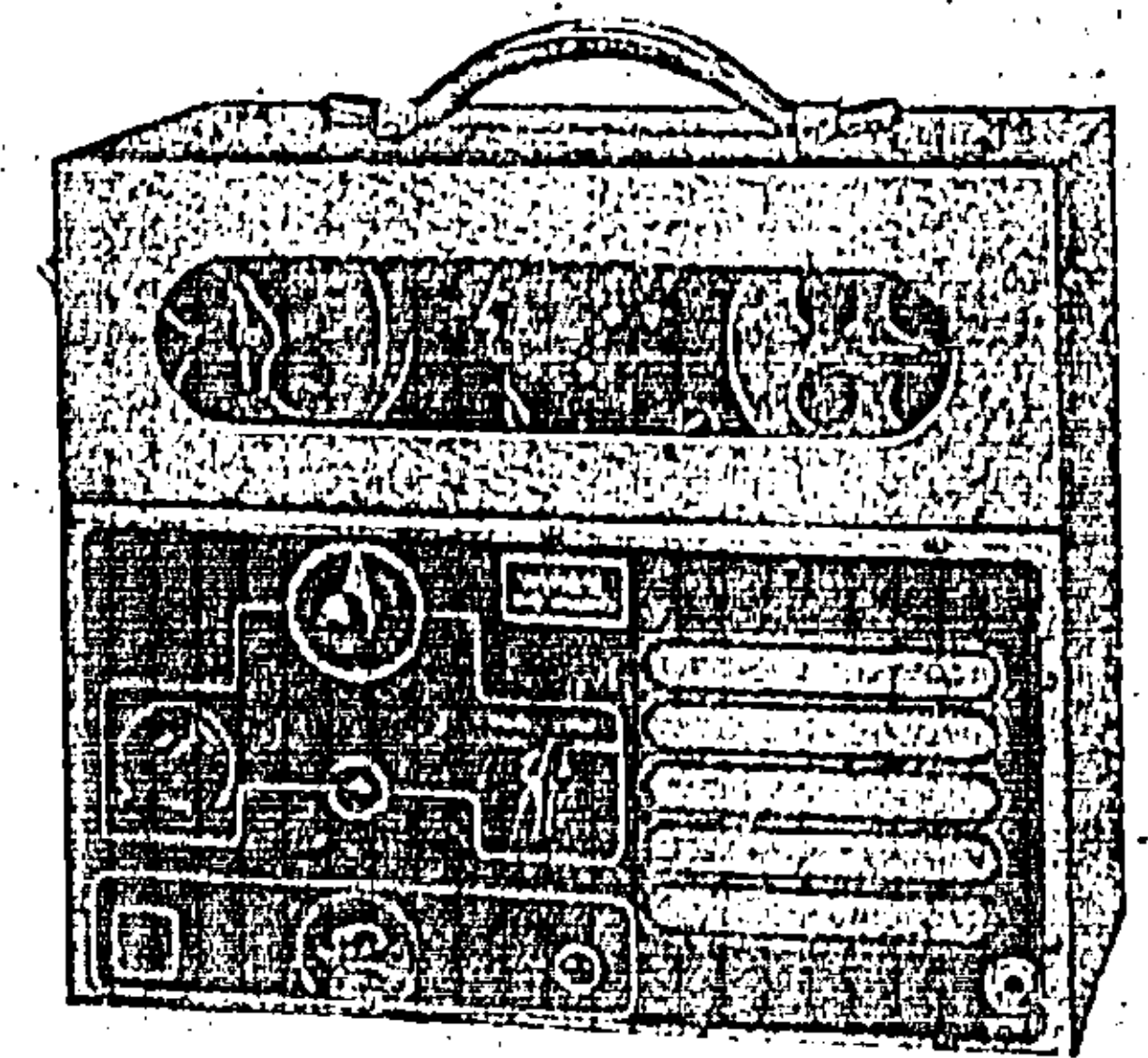
This increase in world demand, which is also an open acknowledgment of the quality of these British products, holds equally good for other instruments, which have been greatly developed as a result of research and improved methods of manufacture.

and without railway! But with that electronic knowledge, however, even the best analogies are unnecessary.

The flow of electrons in a conductor is the current. Electrons can be made to leave a material—as already described, for instance, by the agitating influence of heat. The free negative charges can be attracted, and can be collected by a positively charged plate, bringing them back once more into the metallic circuit. The flow of electrons in the vacuum is the current. This is a simple and straightforward account of the electronic process.

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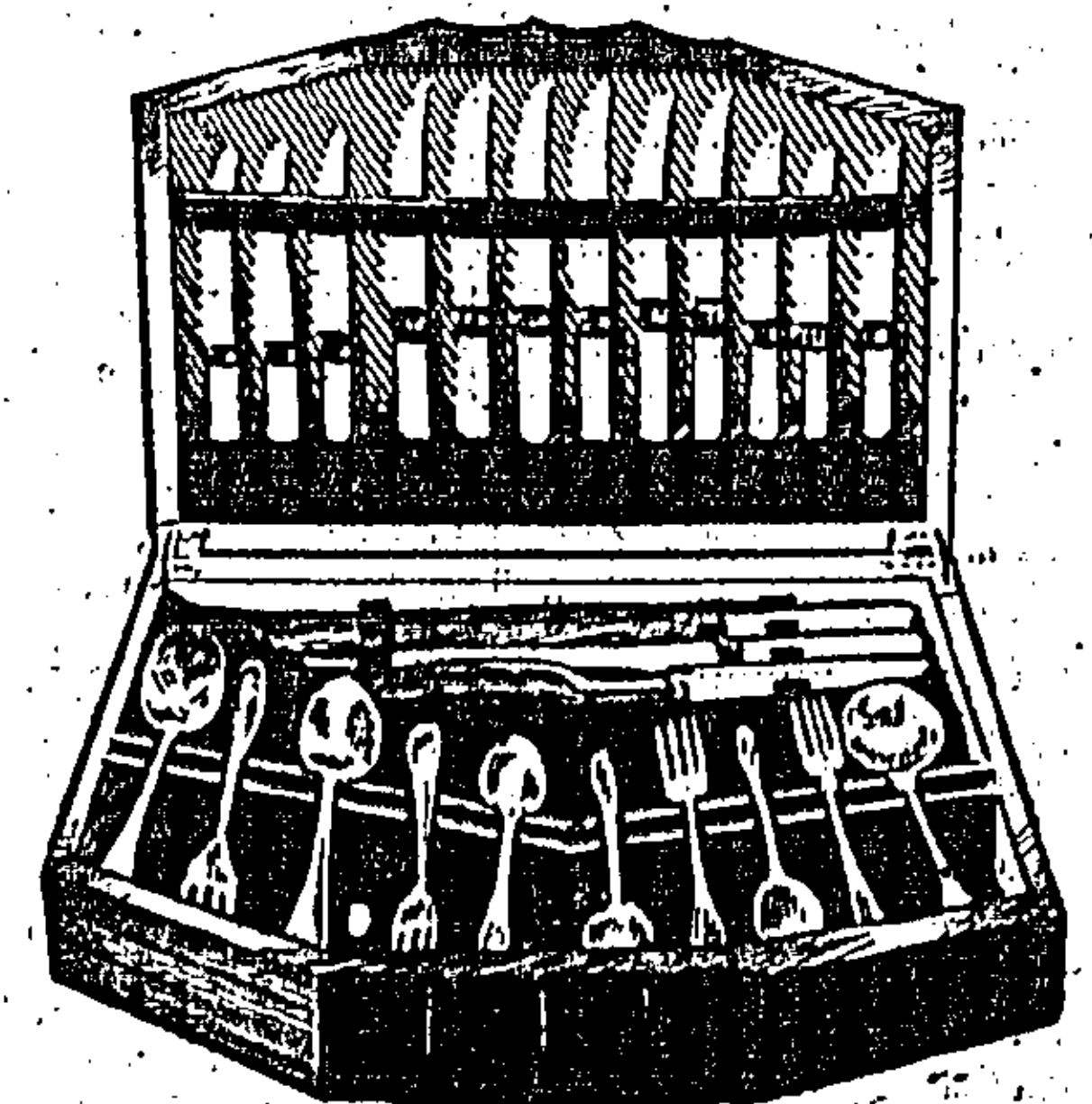
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## Kowloon Unit Appeal

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collateral matter and are explainable by unwillingness on the part of Mok Kuen to accept the role of organizer of the gambling school and a desire on the part of others to shield him. There are, however, other inconsistencies which go closer to the root of the matter which is the demand for \$30.  
"The position of an appellate court on appeal from a judge alone has been recently re-defined by the House of Lords in Watt v. Thomas (1947) 1 AER 582. The headnote opens: 'Where a question of fact has been tried by a judge without a jury and there is no question of misdirection of himself by the judge an appellate court which is disposed to come to a different conclusion on the evidence should not do so unless it is satisfied that no unfair advantage enjoyed by the trial judge by reason of having seen and heard the witnesses could not be sufficient to explain or justify the judge's conclusion.'  
"On consideration of the case before me, I think that the advantage enjoyed by the Magistrate of seeing and hearing the witnesses was a particularly decided one. The witnesses were numerous and the cross-examination long and rigorous. The Magistrate obviously gave the case close and detailed attention. The contradictions in the Crown evidence cannot have escaped his attention and, indeed, are referred to generally in his judgment; in convicting the accused in spite of them he must have relied upon his observations and impressions of the various witnesses who included, of course, the accused themselves. Whatever may be the conclusion that this Court might have reached from a mere perusal of the record, the Court cannot say that the advantage enjoyed by the Magistrate could not justify his conclusion.  
"The appeal therefore fails on both grounds."

## Lancashire Downs Nottingham By 84

The most exciting finish of the day in the County cricket programme was Lancashire's defeat of Nottingham by 84 runs.  
Set to get 250 runs for victory in two hours five minutes, Nottingham started in grand fashion, with Joe Hardstaff and W. Sime scoring 113 runs in 50 minutes after two wickets had fallen for nine, but once this pair left there was a long "tail" and the last six wickets went down for only 15 runs, leaving Lancashire victors with 15 minutes to spare.  
The results of games ended today were:  
At Cardiff: Glamorgan beat Surrey by four wickets. Surrey 178 and 232. Glamorgan 328 and 83 for six.  
At Worcester: Yorkshire beat

## American Baseball

New York, Aug. 19.  
Results of Major League games played today were:

National League		
Chicago Cubs	8	0
Philadelphia Phillies	1	0
Cubs: n. Dorow; c. Schelling.		
Phillies: p. Reintzelman; c. Padgett.		
Chicago Cubs (2nd game)	2	0
Philadelphia Phillies	8	11
Cubs: p. Lade, Meers; c. McCullough.		
Phillies: p. Rowe; c. Semink.		
St. Louis Cardinals	11	0
Brooklyn Dodgers	3	12
Cardinals: p. Brazie; c. Rice.		
Dodgers: n. Hatten, Behman, Dockins, Barney; c. Edwards, Bragan.		
American League		
New York Yankees	1	7
Detroit Tigers	2	8
Yankees: p. Reynolds; c. Houle.		
Tigers: p. Overmire; c. Swift.		
Washington Senators	2	9
Cleveland Indians	13	17
Sentators: p. Materson, Can-dini; c. Ferrell.		
Indians: p. Harder, Stephens, Klemant; c. Hegon.		

## Army Cricket Fixtures

The following are the Army Cricket Fixtures for the first half of the season:  
Oct. 12—v. Navy (Sookunpoo).  
Oct. 18—v. H.K.C.C. (Club).  
Oct. 20—v. University (Sookunpoo).  
Nov. 1—v. Club Rotorelo (Sookunpoo).  
Nov. 10—v. I.R.C. (Sookunpoo).  
Nov. 22—v. University (Sookunpoo).  
Nov. 27—v. R.A.F. (Sookunpoo).  
Dec. 6—v. K.C.C. (K.C.C.).  
Dec. 21—v. Navy (Sookunpoo).

## S. AFRICA LOSES SIX FOR 294 IN 5th TEST PLAY

### Overseas Chinese Remittances

Shanghai, Aug. 20.  
Overseas Chinese remittances to China through Government-appointed banks will henceforth be exempted from remittance fees, according to regulations embodied in the Chinese Government's new foreign exchange policy.—Central News.

## Olympic Games Plans

London, Aug. 20.  
Britain's organizing committee for the Olympic Games of 1948 has virtually solved its problem of how to house the 6,500 athletes expected here for the Games.  
Specific accommodations for the various teams have not finally been allocated, but it will not be surprising to find American, Canadian and some continental groups housed at the Royal Air Force depot at Uxbridge, with Scandinavian teams in the one time army camp in the wide open spaces of Richmond Park.  
Representatives of many countries to participate in the Games have been taken around the various sites by British Olympic officials, and steps will be taken to place teams as far as possible on the sites for which foreign representatives expressed a preference.  
Arrangements have already been completed for the London passenger transport board to provide motor buses to take competitors to and from their camping sites to Wembley, the white city and other places where the events will be decided.

## A CHANGE OF ROYAL STYLE

The King has been pleased to approve that on and after 15th August the words "Indus Imperator" will be omitted from Royal Style and Title in all documents.  
His Majesty has also signified his intention on and after the same date to omit "I" from his signature.  
The issue of a Royal Proclamation regarding the change in the Royal Style and Title may be expected early next year, after the Dominion Governments concerned have passed the necessary legislation.

Worcestershire by 269 runs. Yorks 402 and 164 for five declared. Worcestershire 155 and 132 (Wardie four for 31).  
At Birmingham: Sussex beat Warwickshire by 151 runs. Sussex 230 and 280. Warwickshire 118 and 247 (Onkes seven for 64).  
At Dover: Kent beat Leicestershire by 251 runs. Kent 497 for 80 declared and 211 for seven declared. Leicestershire 307 and 130 (Tompkin 51).  
At Chesterfield: Derbyshire beat Hampshire by 88 runs. Derby 216 and 224. Hampshire 162 and 210 (Bailley 50, Pope six for 49).  
A Manchester: Lancashire beat Nottinghamshire by 84 runs. Lancs 332 and 200 for one declared. (Pledge 132 not out, Ikin 85).  
Notts 248 for nine declared and 100 (Sime 51, Hardstaff 81, Ikin six for 21).—Reuter.

Kennington Oval, London, Aug. 20.  
England finished in a strong position against South Africa at the end of the third day's play in the fifth and final Test match of the series but when play stopped for the tea interval yesterday South Africa had lost six wickets for 294 runs.  
Declaring at 325 for six wickets in their second innings, England gave the South Africans the task of obtaining 451 runs for victory. With only eight runs on the scoreboard, the tourists were one wicket down at the close of play.

Denis Compton hit his 14th century of the season in scoring 113 in 100 minutes by brilliant stroke play.  
This was his fifth century in successive matches and his fourth in the present Test series.  
The present scoreboard reads: England 427 and 325 for six declared. South Africans 302 and 8 for one wicket.  
England, going out for quick runs in order to establish a commanding lead for declaration to night, lost five wickets for 197 runs in 135 minutes after lunch, when 20,000 people watched the game.

England were 210 for five at tea when they led by 335 runs.  
Len Hutton, with some masterful driving, and Washbrook made a brilliant start with 50 in 35 minutes, but at 73, scored in 55 minutes.  
Hutton who was impatient at his inability to score off Mann's good length bowling was caught, m.c. when trying to force a straight ball away.  
Sixteen runs later, Washbrook mistimed a big hit off Rowan and was caught at the wicket.  
Schools' Applaud  
Compton delighted his thousands of schoolboy admirers with a bright display of 23 runs in the first ten minutes.  
Robertson, after helping Compton add 60 in 40 minutes for the third wicket, was bowled by Rowan's offbreak at 158.  
Yardley was out to a well-judged catch by a substitute fielding for Tuckett, who had left the field, and one run later Cranston was caught at short slip.

Compton and Howarth attacked the bowling and added 30 in the last ten minutes before tea.  
England scoring 115 in an hour after tea declared at 325 for six leaving South Africa to get 451 for victory.  
Denis Compton, carrying his score to 113, completed his 14th century of the season and his fourth Test hundred in the present series.  
Only Herbert Sutcliffe (twice), Don Bradman (twice), Walter Hammond and George Headly have accomplished the last named feat.  
Compton reached his hundred in 95 minutes and then hit at every ball until he was caught five minutes later.  
It was a glorious display of almost bewildering stroke play.  
Howarth, who helped Compton to add 67 in 42 minutes for the sixth wicket, was helped by Evans in a stand of 68 in 25 minutes.  
England's innings lasted only 3 hours, 20 minutes. Yardley left his bowlers a maximum of seven hours to dismiss their opponents.  
The South Africans lost Dyer

off the last ball of the day after scoring eight runs in half an hour and are in a precarious position, finishing 442 runs behind.  
By Lunch  
With Dudley Nourse punishing England's slow bowling and Bruce Mitchell defending resolutely to combine in a partnership of 89 unfinished in 80 minutes, South Africa scored 147 for two wickets by lunch.  
South Africa, with eight wickets in hand, require 304 for a victory in four hours.  
Mitchell reputed to be the greatest stone-wall batsman in the world, was at his positive best scoring two in an hour and seven in 90 minutes.  
It was a fine game-saving innings which, however, was an unhappy reflection on England's bowling as Mitchell was able to ignore so many deliveries patching off the wicket.  
Realising the value of Mitchell's great run-taking innings, the crowd of 5,000 offered no comment or criticism.  
Nourse revelled in the slow bowling and raced to 50 in 70 minutes but was dropped by Hutton in the gully when at 30.  
The stand realised 70 in an hour when Compton conceded 14 runs in his first over.  
Nourse has now scored seven fifties in nine Test innings, which is a record of consistency. Mitchell's effort has so far lasted three hours.

The Scoreboard	
Scores to the lunch interval were:—	
ENGLAND	427
First innings	427
SECOND INNINGS	
Hutton, c. Tuckett, b. Mann	36
Washbrook, c. Fullerton, b. Rowan	43
Robertson, b. Rowan	30
Compton, c. Nourse, b. Dawson	114
Yardley, c. sub. b. Mann	11
Cranston, c. Mitchell, b. Rowan	45
Howarth, not out	39
Evans, not out	39
Extras	8
Total (for 6 dec.)	325
BOWLING ANALYSIS	
O. M. R. W.	
Tuckett	7 0 34 0
Dawson	15 1 51 1
Mann	27 7 102 2
Rowan	25 1 95 3
Smith	3 0 27 0
Second innings (for 6 dec.)	325
SOUTH AFRICA	
First innings	302
SECOND INNINGS	
Dyer, lbw, b. Wright	4
Mitchell, not out	38
Vijoen, stumped Evans, b. Howarth	31
Nourse, not out	63
Extras	9
Total for two	147

## Taxi Drivers Confer On Labour Demands

Negotiations between representatives of the taxi-drivers and the taxi companies were continued in the office of the Asst. Labour Officer (Major Chauvin) at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon.  
Employees also want \$200 compensation in case they die of illness while in service.  
Employers countered with a compassionate grant of such amount as they consider appropriate, in their absolute discretion.  
Employees also offered to have all their employees covered against life insurance of \$1,000 a person, the annual premium to be paid half-and-half by employers and employees.  
There was no reply from employees to this offer.  
Employees offered their men one month's extra pay for every completed year of service, and prorata for shorter periods, at the end of each lunar year, to commence from Sept. 1, 1947.  
The men welcomed this offer but asked that it should begin from January 1, 1947.  
A further meeting to discuss all outstanding points was fixed for Wednesday next.

## Atcheson Given Up...

## Rescue Search Called Off After 58 Hours' Survey

Honolulu, Aug. 20.  
The air and sea search for the bodies of Ambassador George Atcheson, Jr., and four others missing in the crash off Oahu was called off last night.  
Vice-Admiral John Hall, commandant of the 14th Naval District, said the intensive search ceased after 58 hours of combing a "well defined" area a few minutes' flying time from Oahu, where the Japanese occupation official and nine others were killed when they Flying Fortress ran out of gasoline on Saturday night.  
Meanwhile, Brigadier General Frederick Kimble said he has been ordered to make a complete investigation of the crash.  
He said it was of the "greatest importance" to determine the cause and he planned to go into it "in the greatest detail."—United Press.

"When we got down to 2,000 feet I left and went back to take charge of the passengers. I helped Ambassador Atcheson inflate his Mae West. He was very calm. I was sitting with him when the crash came.  
"I felt a small jar as the tail section struck the water. Then there was a rending crash as the plane cart-wheeled. Then I was in the water. I don't think I was conscious when Huglin (Colonel Harvey Huglin, another survivor) pulled us together.  
"The water was full of sharks. I felt one brush against me and I thought it was a seat cushion from the wreck. I pulled up my legs and the seat cushion swam between them. I ran my hand along the cushion and when I felt the big fin I knew it was a shark. I kept my shoes on so my white feet would not attract them.  
"But I couldn't keep up with Huglin and another fellow I couldn't identify who was swimming with us. They were heading for land (42-1/2 miles away) so I untied my shoes and kicked them off. I told the Colonel we should try to make for land but I know now we just swam in circles.  
"When dawn came the planes came over but didn't spot us at first. Then the Colonel released his sea marker. Finally a Corsair pilot saw us and circled, wagging his wings. Then a C-47 dropped us a life raft.  
"I swam to it but couldn't get in. But the Colonel made it and pulled me after him. I lay at the bottom of the raft too tired to move. We tried to bail out six inches of water in the bottom but were too exhausted. Then the boats found us and took us aboard. Tell the folk at Oklahoma that after a night's rest I am swell outside of a few scratches."—United Press.

## CRISIS CLOUDS LESS GLOOMY IN LONDON

London, Aug. 19.  
The crisis atmosphere in London over Britain's grave financial plight lifted, at least temporarily, late today with the departure of the Prime Minister, Mr. Attlee, and the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Bevin, to resume their vacations.

The two left Downing Street by car after more than two hours of Cabinet talks dealing with Britain's rapidly dwindling supply of dollars and latest reports from the Anglo-American conference in Washington.

Rumours circulated in Whitehall that unexpectedly heavy demands by Britain's creditors for the conversion of sterling into dollars might exhaust the American loan some time next month. The Government had been hoping that it would last at least through October.  
The departure of Mr. Attlee for North Wales and Mr. Bevin for South Coast indicated that the Cabinet had decided that nothing more could be done until more was known of the United States attitude toward easing the loan agreement.  
Britain is sending another diplomat to Washington to buttress her "financial expeditionary force."

At the Government's request, Lord Inverchapel, British Ambassador to Washington, cut short his Scottish vacation and left for London preparatory to taking off for Washington on Saturday to join the Anglo-American financial talks.  
Lord Inverchapel will call at the Foreign Office for final instructions on Friday. Lady Inverchapel, whom he hurriedly remarried today before leaving for London, will accompany him back to Washington.  
The Lord Chancellor, Lord Jowitt, will call for the United States and Canada tomorrow morning the Queen Mary but his office said his trip had been arranged privately months ago and had no connection with the economic crisis.

New York, Aug. 20.  
The four Davis coppers, who brought back the trophy from Australia last December—Jack Kramer, Ted Schroeder, Frank Parker and Gardner Mulloy—today were named to defend the cup against the challenge of the Australian team at Forest Hills, week-end after next.  
The doubles combination for the play does not have to be announced until 24 hours before the event.—Associated Press.

## PRINCESS AND ART

London, Aug. 19.  
The Royal Society of Arts announced tonight that Princess Elizabeth had accepted an invitation to become the Society's President.  
Four other members of the Royal Family have served as President in the past: Hundred years of the organisation, which is the third oldest of the learned societies in Britain.—United Press.

## TWO BRITISH OFFICERS AMBUSHED, KILLED IN PUNJAB RIOTS

Lahore, Aug. 20.  
An official announcement said today that two young British Army officers have been slain during communal strife in Amritsar. They are first European victims of the bloody warfare between India's religious sects which has been raging intermittently since August, 1946.

The officers were said to have been shot to death on Monday night.  
First reports indicated they might have been ambushed.  
The shootings occurred a short time before a bitter outbreak of rioting on a Moslem village near Amritsar (holy city of the Sikhs) in which 24 men and women were reported slashed to death.  
The fuse which exploded in last week's Hindu-Moslem riots lighted this half-million populated textile city leaving it a charred and smoldering mess.  
Some fires are smoldering embers while others, newly kindled, are still burning in scattered areas where tall and bearded Sikhs fell upon the Moslem minorities with fanatical fury butchering and burning in a wave of slaughter which spread to Lahore and the neighbouring areas where revenge-seeking Moslems slaughtered an unknown number of Sikhs and Hindus.  
At least 50 per cent of Amritsar has gone up in smoke as Sikhs and some Hindus, shooting flaming oil-soaked arrows, created an inferno which swept through blocks of jam-packed buildings.  
Today, most of the fires burned themselves out leaving only ashes and bricks.  
The fires were a godsend, however, as they cremated hundreds of dead whose rotting bodies otherwise endangered the health of the city.—Associated Press and United Press.

## Sanitary Coolies Must Do A Job

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Mr. Macey referred the court to the definition to "Refuse" given in the Public Health and Sanitation Ordinance 15 of 1935. This stated that "Refuse" includes dust, dirt, ashes, rubbish, sweepings and every other kind of waste matter whatsoever.  
After Mr. Blair-Kerr had overruled defence solicitor's submission, Detective Sub-inspector J. Johnston (for the Crown) stated that the driver was actually the ringleader, as the money collected by the second accused, and passed on to the third man, was finally deposited with him.  
The fifth defendant, said DSI Johnston, was a pre-war employee and should be fully acquainted with the Regulations.  
Mr. Macey said the driver was only driving, and should have nothing to do with the collecting of refuse.  
"Severe"  
Continuing his submissions, Mr. Russ said that the present case was the first of its kind the sentence was unduly severe. This practice of accepting a gratuity had been going on for such a considerable time that nobody felt even a moral guilt about it.  
As the whole object of the prosecution was to put to the price, said Mr. Russ, a month's imprisonment would act as much of a deterrent as the present sentence.  
The application was refused by His Worship in respect of Lau Tung, Leung Ming, Fung Tak and Kwo Sing, and allowed in regard to Taz Ho whose sentence was reduced to two months' hard labour.  
Considerable interest in the case was evinced by employees of the Sanitary Department.  
A large number of Sanitary Inspectors, scavenging lorry drivers and coolies were present in Court.

## Softball Meeting

By Granstand  
At a meeting of the Hong Kong Softball Association, presided over by "Doc" Molthen, those present included Tony Ribeiro (Hon. Secretary), Philo Remedios (Hon. Treasurer) and representatives of various clubs, including Misses Therese Noronha and Inez Soares.  
This was the first Committee Meeting at which lady members were present.  
It was decided to hold the Annual General Meeting on Tuesday, 9th September, at 5.30 p.m. at the Green Room, 1st floor, Peninsula Hotel, when the accounts of the past season will be presented and the election of officers will take place.  
The chief problem at present facing the Association is obtaining a suitable venue for the coming league, and this subject was discussed at great length. A decision was finally made to submit a formal application to the authorities for permission to use the Chatham Road ground, formerly allocated to the Kowloon Football Club, where the league was run off prior to the outbreak of hostilities in the East.  
Major C.W.L. Way, who is at present promoting a series of sporting events in aid of the Boys & Girls Club was also present and put in a request for softball exhibitions on the mornings of Nov. 30th and Dec. 7th. This was promised by the Association, which was concluded.

and the games will probably be league fixtures to be selected at a later date.  
The discussion ended with an exchange of ideas for promoting the sport—"unplugging" was a special point brought up and it was unanimously agreed that a higher standard was most desirable.  
It was noted that several schools are interested in the game and it is understood that the Association will be willing to provide coaches for teams on application.  
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## Von Nida's Golf Is Bearing A "Made In U.S." Tag

London, Aug. 20.  
Little Norman Von Nida is an Australian, but his golf—which is good enough to make him this season's leading money winner on Britain's pro circuit—bears a plain "Made in America" tag.  
Von Nida, yearning for a share of the Yankee dollars that South Africa's Bobby Locke has been reaping, this summer, plans to bundle his clubs off to the United States in January to test his American style game against its ablest native proponents.  
"Locke's done well over there and I'm not much his inferior, if any," Von Nida says assuredly.  
Walter Hagen put the first Yankee stamp on Von Nida's game nearly 20 years ago when Hagen, already winner of both the U.S. and British Open Championships, caught in with a tour in Australia.  
Little Norman, a youth hardly as big as Hagen's kingly neck of